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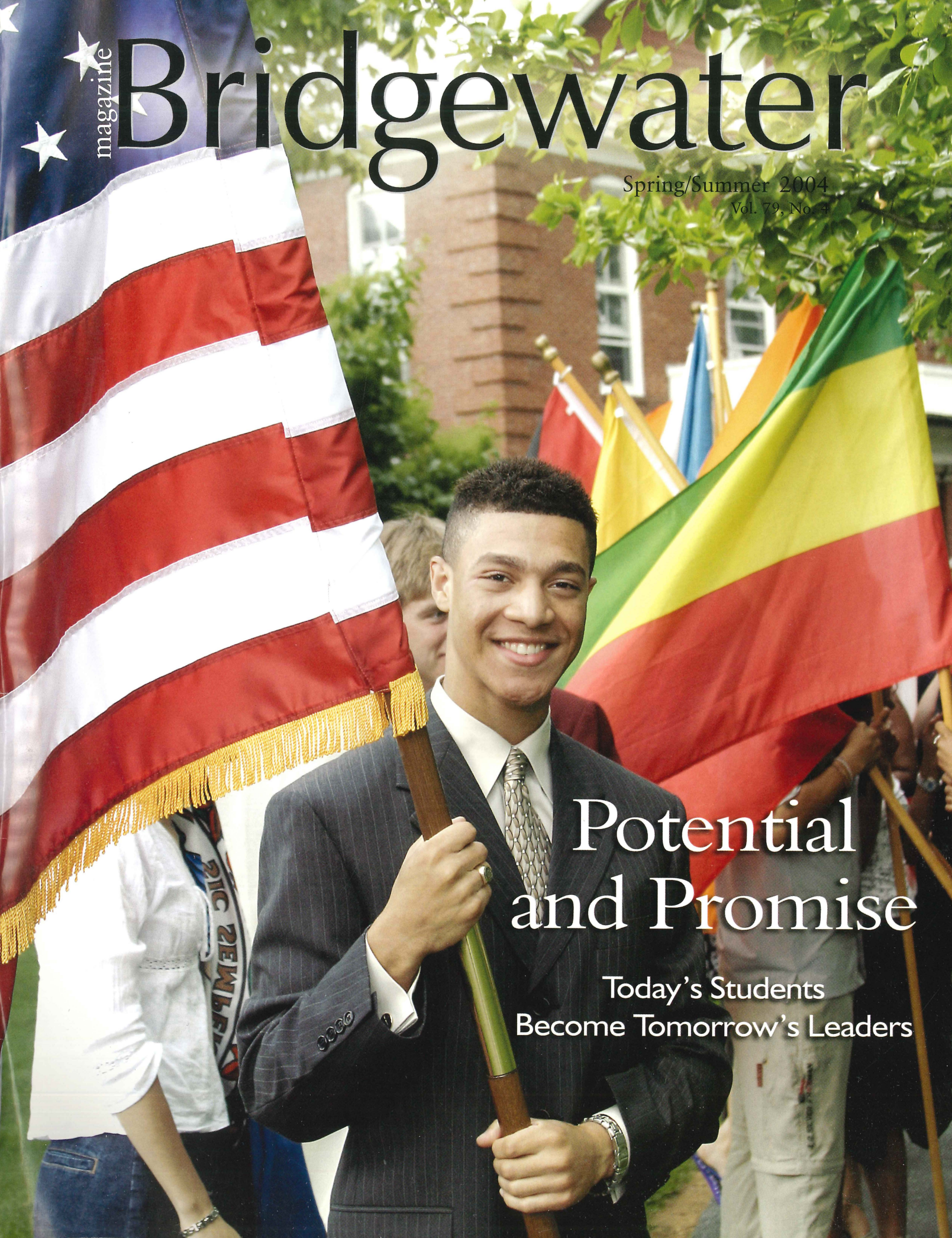
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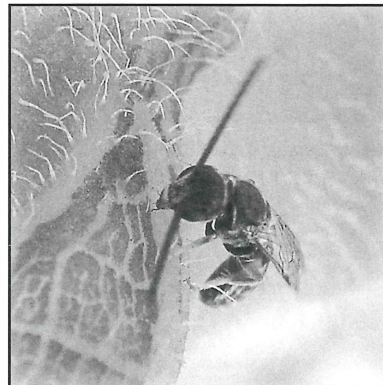
Through the programs of the Zane D. Showker Leadership Institute at Bridgewater College, campus leaders have numerous opportunities to put their abilities into action. They are destined to become the bright stars of their communities.

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On the Cover

Justin Pruett, a rising senior and president of the student body, carried the United States flag for the 2004 commencement procession.

Photo by Tommy Thompson



Experimental Matters

Dr. Moses Chan, '67, has spent much of his career conducting experiments on the transitions between different phases of matter, a research interest that began at Bridgewater. The international science community is excited about the Penn State professor's recent "super" discovery.

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Creating a Buzz

Sarah Smith Greenleaf's scholarly pursuits have taken her from a one-room school house in Dayton, Va., to Princeton University's doctoral program in ecology and evolutionary biology. Since graduating from Bridgewater in 1999, she has kept herself as busy as the bees she bred for her graduate research.

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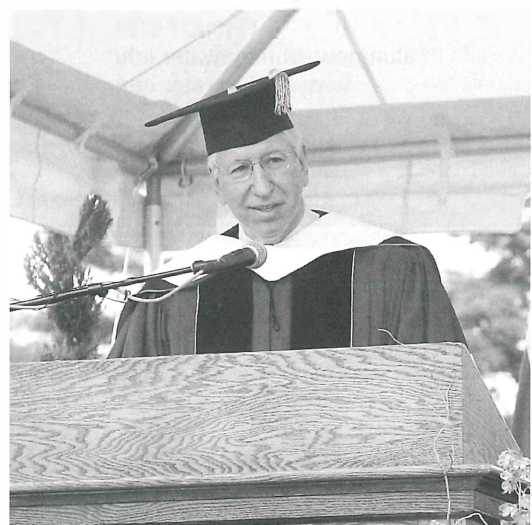
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The Value of Sports

As Bridgewater College's graduating seniors and their families celebrated on the Campus Mall during a light rain shower, Dr. Myles Brand, president of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, encouraged them to "Treat others with respect and compassion, as you yourself would like to be treated."

After Bridgewater College president Dr. Phillip Stone presented Brand with an honorary doctor of humane letters degree, the former philosophy professor told graduates the lesson was a "simple and powerful" one for them to follow as they leave the safe haven of college life to become "citizens of the world."

In his speech titled, "Making a Moral Difference," Brand warned the 285 graduates that they would be entering a world where the clash of cultures threatens world peace. He pointed out that the same technology that can disseminate knowledge to the most remote areas of the world also may be used to manipulate the truth. "The challenge for you," he said, "is to discern among what you have been taught, what the world presents to you as instruments of change and what thought and logic you apply to ensure that civilization is advanced, rather than neglected or retarded. The challenge for you is not to sit by in solipsistic silence but to make a difference — a moral difference."



Dr. Myles Brand

Brand stated that college athletics teaches values that are important in life: teamwork, fair play, personal discipline, winning and losing with grace, and commitment to excellence. Citing examples of how collegiate sports has provided positive change, particularly in improving race relations and providing greater opportunities for women, Brand said, "I offer to you that college athletics is a good example of social

Stone to Head NCAA Council

One of the key issues Bridgewater president **Dr. Phillip Stone** will deal with during the next two years is the balance of academics and athletics. As the new chair of the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Division III Presidents Council, Stone will lead the 15-member council in discussions about how much of their educational time Division III athletes should devote to intercollegiate athletics.

The Presidents Council makes policy recommendations and expends the resources for more than 400 Division III colleges and universities. Schools in this division do not give scholarships for athletics.

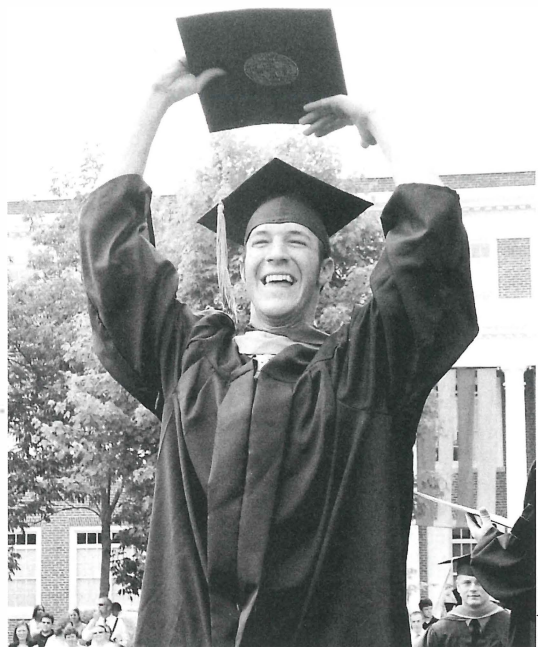
For the past several years, the Division III Management Council, comprising 19 chief executive officers,



change for making a moral difference — where the inherent values of sports serve as a catalyst for the improvement of the human condition.”

The sports world has provided numerous leaders for our nation and world, Brand said, including U.S. presidents and congressmen, world-renowned doctors, international businessmen, entertainers and educators. Among them, he named Jackie Robinson, former Brooklyn Dodgers player, who became the first black man to play for the major leagues. He also cited the example of Title IX, the 1972 Civil Rights legislation that mandated equal opportunities for men and women in higher education. In the 30 years since the legislation was passed, the number of women competing in college athletics has grown from below 30,000 to nearly 150,000, he said.

A person does not have to participate in college sports to learn its lessons, Brand said. “College sports is an open classroom. Here is where we see the Golden Rule applied in every sport and every contest. We call it sportsmanship. And it begins with respect — both for teammates and opponents.” ■



athletics administrators, faculty representatives and student athletes, has been engaged in a “reform agenda,” of limiting the amount of time students are allowed to spend participating in any sport, Stone says. This would allow students to “focus on academics first and secondly, to do other co-curricular activities, whether in athletics or something else.”

These discussions have led to two new policies: decreasing the length of practice seasons and eliminating the practice of “redshirting.” The council also passed a rule that allows student-athletes at Division III schools to pursue transfer opportunities without securing the permission of the institution where they are enrolled.

“What we are looking at now,” Stone says, “is how do we better define

the student-athlete and the role of athletics on our campuses where we put academics at the center and where we believe that athletics must play a supporting role in our educational mission.”

The Division III schools began taking a closer look at this issue, Stone explains, amid concerns that they are becoming more and more like Division I schools. “I think that’s raised an alarm to simply say, ‘Before we go beyond where we are, let’s really think about this and see if we are happy where we are.’” There even has been talk among some of the Division III leaders about creating a new division that would eliminate championship play, though Stone doesn’t anticipate this actually occurring.

Stone says that those who talk of reform mostly propose doing so by imposing restrictions. He believes the issue should be resolved by creating balance between athletics and academics. An institution’s faculty, for example, should be just as supportive of athletes as they are of students who are involved in theatre and music, either through attending activities or by offering words of encouragement.

“Balance does not mean just restrictions,” Stone says. “It also should mean that we all give a certain level of attention to all activities on campus, including athletics. We start that by looking at the mission ... and making sure [the athletics program] is a part of the integral education and consistent with that mission.” ■

Meeting Special Needs

By Anna Nolen, *Smith Mountain Eagle* staff writer

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Judy [Custer] Falls ['81], had been working in special education at Moneta Elementary School for 19 years when she was faced with a situation she wanted to learn more about.

"An autistic child moved to my class, and I did not know very much about it," said Falls, who began attending workshops, conferences, and had consultants come in with advice on setting up the classroom. Now, after three years as an autism specialist in the Bedford County school system, her hard work and compassion have proved rewarding on many different levels. "It's been a wonderful opportunity. I find [the children] fascinating, and I like the challenge of finding ways to connect with them," said Falls.

On March 5, 2004, she was recognized as "Autism Teacher of the Year" for the state of Virginia by the Commonwealth Autism Service, formerly known as The Autism Program of Virginia. A team of educators from Bedford County presented the award at the Commonwealth Autism Service's annual conference and dinner.

"It's an honor to be recognized by my colleagues, and it has often opened up dialogue with people about autism that normally wouldn't happen," said Falls.

According to Executive Director of Commonwealth Autism Service John Toscano, this is the third year the award was given, out of a pool of about 10-12 recipients.

"We give this award through networking and soliciting recommendations statewide. We had actually had the good fortune of working directly with Judy Falls. We knew her and had observed her skills and motivation, and wanted to make sure that she was recognized for her credentials, which were obvious to us," said Toscano.

Medline Plus Medical Encyclopedia defines autism as "behavior that involves absent or poorly developed verbal and nonverbal communication skills, abnormal socialization (lack of need for socialization), social withdrawal, inability to make friends, repetitive body movements, ritualistic behavior, lack of eye contact, and various speech pattern abnormalities." According to Director for Special Services

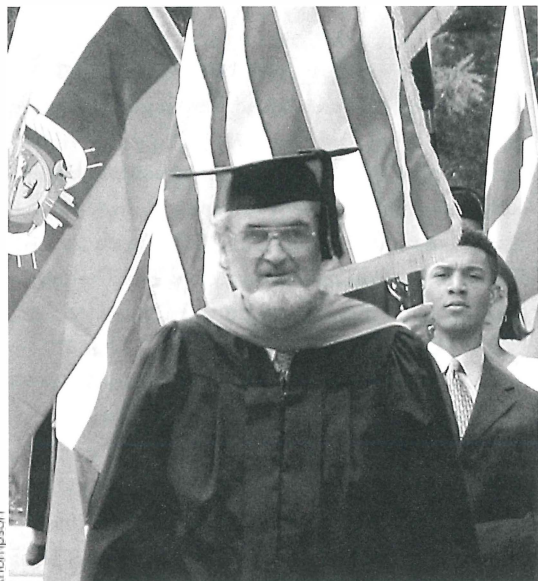
Sara Staton, since 1997, there has been an increase in children identified with autism. And in 1997, autism was recognized through the Special Education Law as another disabling condition. "They have unique needs, and because of the increase, teacher and schools require specialized training. Judy had taught children with autism in her special education classes prior to her becoming an autism specialist. With her training, experience, former education, and special interests in these kids, she was ideal for the position," said Staton. "We're proud to have her in our school system," she added. There are about 40 kids on the autism spectrum countywide, covering three areas where children have difficulties: communication, socialization, and restricted or repetitive patterns of behavior, according to Falls.

"Autism is a fast growing disability, and it will touch almost every teacher. It will affect everyone eventually," said Falls. Falls, based at Staunton River Middle School, visits classrooms in Bedford on a regular basis, and said that the biggest part of the program is training and supporting other staff members. She not only works with the kids, but also plays an active role in making teachers aware of autism, and teaching them the strategies and techniques to cope with the behavior. April is Autism Awareness Month, and Falls said, "I want people to be aware of autism and its characteristics. Look beyond the behavior, and get to know the child because they are usually trying to tell us something."

Falls completed a bachelor's degree in psychology from Bridgewater College, and a master's degree in special education from Lynchburg College. She lives in Moneta [Va.] with her husband, [John, '81] who is the athletic director at Liberty High School, and her two children, Caitlin and Cori, both students at Staunton River Middle School. ■



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Dellett Retires

Jon L. Dellett, assistant professor of mathematics and a member of the Bridgewater College faculty since 1972, retired at the end of the 2003-2004 academic year. The Board of Trustees has conferred on him the title of assistant professor of mathematics, *emeritus*.

A graduate of Fort Hays State University, Dellett received his M.A.L.S. from Wesleyan University and his M.A. from New Mexico State University.

Prior to joining Bridgewater's faculty, Dellett taught at Bluffton College in Ohio, New Mexico State University and Sterling College in Kansas, where he was chair of the mathematics department. He also taught at the high school level and was a teacher in Zambia as a participant in the Mennonite Central Committee's Teachers Abroad Program.

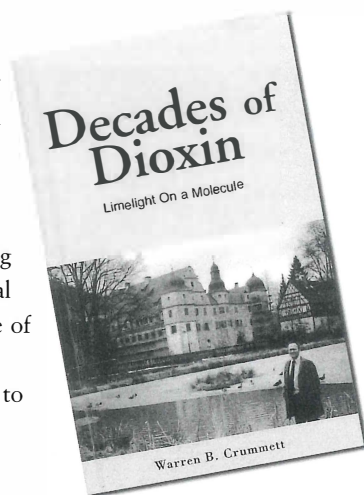
During his tenure at Bridgewater, Dellett served on the College's Judicial Hearing Board, the SACS committee studying instructional support, the Hersch Lectures committee and various other committees and councils.

An avid traveler and enthusiastic bird-watcher, Dellett is a member of the Rockingham County Bird Club and has participated in the Audubon Society Christmas Bird Count. He has been a member of the Experimental Aircraft Association and the Central Valley Habitat for Humanity's Beacons of Light Club.

Dellett and his wife, Pat Albright Dellett, have three children. ■

Dissecting Dioxins

Dr. Warren B. Crummett, a 1943 graduate of Bridgewater College, is the author of *Decades of Dioxin: Limelight on a Molecule*, published in 2002 by Xlibris. Crummett, a retired research scientist employed by the Dow Chemical Company for more than three decades, writes about his discovery, measurement and publicizing of the dioxin molecule, a by-product of industrial manufacturing. In a review in the February issue of the *Journal of Chemical Education*, Robert W. Baughman writes, "This book will be of interest to anyone who is concerned with environmental issues, analytical chemistry, or regulation of the chemical industry, as well as those who would enjoy a forthright autobiography. As its title indicates, the book is about a molecule, but even more it is a book about a man and the individuals and experiences that he encountered during a long and fascinating career in the chemical industry." To order copies of the book, contact Xlibris Corp. at www.Xlibris.com. ■



The Real Thing

Bridgewater College received a \$10,000 unrestricted gift from Central Coca-Cola in Staunton, Va. The check was presented to Dr. Phillip Stone on April 6 by (l to r) Jim Feaganes, sales center manager, John Iafolla, regional manager, and Colby Shifflett, cold drink manager.



Founder's Day Celebrated

On April 6, Bridgewater College celebrated the 150th anniversary of the birth of its founder, Daniel Christian Flory, who at age 26 began a new school at Spring Creek in Rockingham County. The school, first known as Spring Creek Normal School, moved to Bridgewater two years later, in 1882, and changed its name to Bridgewater College on July 12, 1889. During a convocation in the Carter Center for Worship and Music, several awards were presented, recognizing excellence in teaching, service and leadership.

C. Ray Smith of Charlottesville, Va., who retired last August as the Tipton R. Snively Professor of Business Administration at the University of Virginia's Darden Graduate School of Business, was awarded the honorary degree, doctor of business administration, *honoris causa*. He is a 1956 Bridgewater graduate and a member of the College's Board of Trustees.

A native of Bassett, Va., Smith has been a leader in the field of education for more than 42 years. His success has been credited to his intelligence, his work ethic and his excellent people skills. Despite Smith's retirement, the Darden School named him to its board of trustees and asked him to serve as a consultant.

A member of Darden's second graduating class, Smith earned his master of business administration degree in 1958 and in 1963,

became a certified public accountant in Virginia. In 1961, Smith joined the Darden faculty as an instructor and during his tenure, taught in five of the School's academic areas. Smith has served as interim dean of The Darden School on three separate occasions: in 1993, 1997 and 2001. Twice he led the search for a permanent dean.

In November 1996, Smith joined Bridgewater College's Board of Trustees and currently

serves on the Institutional Advancement, Public Relations and Investment committees. In 1991, Bridgewater College presented Smith with the Distinguished Alumnus Award, and The Darden School Alumni Association honored him with the Charles C. Abbott Award in 1995. In honor of Smith's loyalty to The Darden School, an endowment has been established in his name, and the newest wing of Sponsors Executive Residence Center has been formally named "C. Ray Smith Alumni Hall."

He has co-authored four books on management and financial accounting and has written nearly 50 cases in the areas of finance and accounting, real estate and small business.

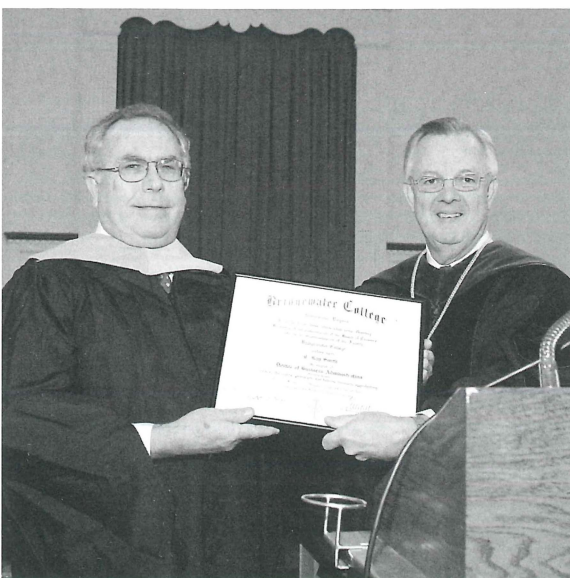
Dr. Susan L. Piepke, a member of the Bridgewater College faculty since 1988, received the Ben and Janice Wade Outstanding Teaching Award, which recognizes excellence in classroom teaching. She became chair of the foreign languages department in 2002 and also served as acting chair in 1992 and 1996.

An avid researcher, Piepke was on sabbatical during the spring, completing work on her second book, *A Woman in Conflict with Society: The Writings and Political Activism of Mathilde Franziska Anneke*. Anneke was a German-American writer and activist who immigrated to the United States after the failed Revolution of 1848 and became involved in the women's suffrage movement. Piepke's research was supported by a Mednick Grant from the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges and a Bridgewater College Faculty Research Grant.

Piepke also translated and wrote the forward to *Women and Their Vocation: A Nineteenth-Century View* by Luise Büchner.

After graduating *summa cum laude* with a Spanish major and French minor from the State University of New York in Albany, she earned an M.A. degree in linguistics from the University of Rochester (N.Y.) and an M.A. degree in Spanish from Middlebury College in Vermont. In 1986, Piepke earned a doctor of modern languages degree from Middlebury. Prior to joining the faculty at Bridgewater College, she was assistant professor of foreign languages at Elon College in North Carolina.

C. Ray Smith (left) with President Stone at Founder's Day



Dr. Donald R. Witters, professor of psychology, received the Martha B. Thornton Faculty Recognition Award, which honors faculty who “provide caring concern for students well beyond the role as teacher.” A member of the Bridgewater faculty since 1968, he served as chair of the psychology department from 1990-1996. During his tenure at Bridgewater, he also has been an adjunct professor at James Madison and Arizona State universities.

A behavioral psychologist, Witters has served as a board member and program supervisor for People Places Inc. in Staunton, Va., the state’s first specialized foster care treatment program. In addition, he supervised the program’s counseling services from 1983-1990. He has worked as a consulting psychologist and summer director of residential services at DeJarnett Center for Human Development, a facility for emotionally disordered children and young adults located in Staunton. Additionally, he has written many articles on test anxiety, therapeutic foster care, personalized instruction and schedule control of social and verbal behavior.

A graduate of Elizabethtown College, Witters earned a bachelor of divinity degree from Bethany Theological Seminary and his master’s degree and doctorate from Arizona State University. He also completed 15 hours of postdoctoral studies in counseling psychology at James Madison University. In 1974, he received his license to practice psychology from the Virginia Board of Behavioral Science, and in 1978, was licensed for the practice of professional counseling.

During the Founder’s Day celebration, two seniors, **Melissa J. Short** and **Jonathan D. Puvak**, also received Outstanding Leadership Awards. Both students excelled in academics during their four years at Bridgewater and were members of the Philomathes Society, the College’s scholastic honor society; Alpha Chi, a national scholastic honor society; and Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society. Athletic standouts, they also were members of the National Collegiate Athlete Honor Society. Both *summa cum laude* graduates, they were selected for Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Short, a double major in communication studies and business administration, maintained a

4.0 grade point average throughout her college career. She was a member of Lambda Pi Eta, a national communications honor society; and Delta Mu Delta, a national business administration honor society.

A four-year member and captain of the women’s cross-country team, she was voted most improved runner as a junior. This spring, she completed an internship with the Harrisonburg Turks baseball team.

In addition, Short served as vice president of the senior class and as president of the Forensics Union. She was a member of the Student Service Board and served as a staff writer and copy editor for *Veritas*, the weekly campus newspaper. She also was a facilitator for the College’s annual High School Leadership Academy.

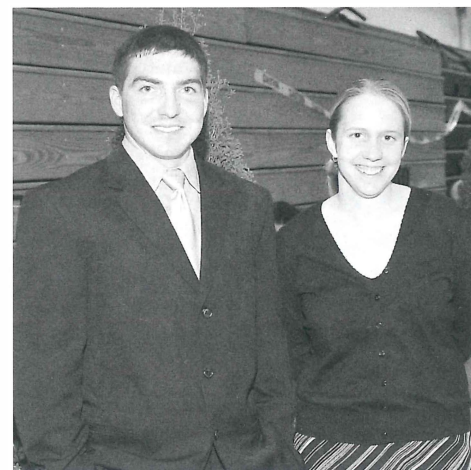
As a freshman, Puvak, who double majored in business administration and economics, received the President’s Merit ACE Full-Tuition Scholarship, which was renewable all four years. He also was student body vice president, and as a member of the Student Senate served as chair of the finance committee. A member of the Judicial Hearing Board, he was a member of the Pre-Law Society. During the spring semester, Puvak completed an internship at Blue Ridge Legal Services in Harrisonburg, Va.

For the past three years, Puvak was a member of the Student Ambassadors Association and tutored fellow students in business, mathematics and economics courses. He also served as president of Students in Free Enterprise.

A four-year member of the men’s soccer team, he was team captain. As a senior, he was named to the Academic All-American Men’s Soccer College Division Third Team, and as a junior, was selected to the Verizon-Academic All-District III College Division Men’s Soccer Team. ■

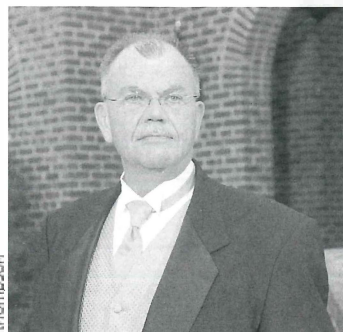


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TOP: Dr. Susan L. Piepke and Dr. Donald R. Witters
BOTTOM: Jonathan D. Puvak and Melissa J. Short

Bridgewater Musicians at Annual Conference



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Dr. Jesse Hopkins Jr., the Edwin L. Turner Distinguished Professor of Music and chair of the music department, will serve as choral director for the 2004 Church of the Brethren Annual Conference. The conference takes

place July 2-6 in Charleston, W.Va. Hopkins, a member of the conference worship committee, has served in this role three other times — at conferences in Orlando, Fla., Norfolk, Va., and Richmond, Va.

Senior **Jonathan Emmons**, a music major from Rocky Mount, Va., will serve as organist for the Annual Conference. ■



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Bridgewater Professor Receives NEH Summer Stipend

Dr. Richard S. Fogarty, assistant professor of history, received a summer stipend from the The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). The award, in the amount of \$5,000, will be used to fund his research project, "Race and War in France: Colonial Subjects in the French Army, 1914-1918." Virginia Senator George Allen announced the award in early March.

Fogarty's project, an extension of his doctoral dissertation of the same title, examines the French army's use of over 500,000 non-white soldiers from the French colonial empire — North Africans, West Africans, Madagascans and Vietnamese — to fight in Europe during World War I. Specifically, Fogarty says, "the project examines what military and political policies

toward these troops reveal about French racial attitudes." On the one hand, Fogarty says, "French society earned a reputation for color-blindness and tolerance because of a very real commitment to republican ideals of equality and the universal humanity of all people." He adds, "There were very real competing ideas about the inherent racial inferiority of non-whites." Through his research, Fogarty seeks to explore and explain the curious blend of egalitarianism and discrimination.

Fogarty will spend two months this summer conducting research in military archives in Paris. He also may visit the colonial archives in Aix-en-Provence in the south of France. He plans to publish a book with his findings.

While in Europe, Fogarty also will be attending an international seminar at the Institute for Social and European Studies in Szombathely, Hungary, June 14 - 22. The seminar, "Old and New Europe: New Directions for Euro-Atlantic Relations," is sponsored by Brethren Colleges Abroad and will focus on the challenges posed by the integration of Hungary and other post-communist states into the European Union.

Fogarty earned a B.A. degree from State University of New York at Geneseo, an M.A. degree from the University of Georgia and a Ph.D. degree from the University of California at Santa Barbara. He joined the Bridgewater College faculty in August 2003.

The NEH stipends are awarded to faculty who have been nominated by their institution. The recipients are selected so that the best of humanities research, education, preservation and public programs are cultivated. In addition to Bridgewater College, other colleges and universities in Virginia to receive \$5,000 stipends from NEH were The College of William and Mary, James Madison University, Marymount University, University of Virginia and Virginia Tech. ■

New Board Members Elected

The **Rev. Judy Mills Reimer**, of Goodview, Va., and the **Rev. Matthew P. Fike**, of Weyers Cave, Va., were elected as new members of the Bridgewater College Board of Trustees on April 2. They each will serve a five-year term.

Reimer retired last year from her position as general secretary of the Church of the Brethren, the denomination's top post. Prior to assuming that role, she was the founding pastor of the Smith Mountain Lake Church of the Brethren Fellowship. She is a 1962 graduate of Emory & Henry College and earned a master of divinity degree from Bethany Theological Seminary in 1994.

A native of Oakland, Md., Fike is a 1991 graduate of Bridgewater College. Currently the pastor of Pleasant Valley Church of the Brethren in Weyers Cave, Va., he received a master of divinity degree from Bethany Theological Seminary in 1998.

New leaders for the board also were elected during the November 2003 meeting, when **W. Wallace Hatcher, '55**, retired as chairman following 18 years at the helm. **James L. Keeler, '57**, retired president and CEO of WLR Foods Inc., was elected by the board to succeed Hatcher.

A member of the College's Board of Trustees since 1974, Keeler was a partner and commercial lawyer with the law firm of Wharton, Aldhizer & Weaver before joining WLR Foods Inc. in 1988. He was a founding partner of the Harrisonburg accounting firm of Keeler, Phibbs & Co., now known as Phibbs, Burkholder, Geisert and Huffman, and practiced as a certified public accountant for more than 20 years. Keeler, a graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Bridgewater College in 1990.

Elected during the November meeting to serve five-year terms on the board were **F. Gary Osborne**, of Daleville, Va.; **Brenda Rinehart** of Rutherfordton, N.C., representing the Southeastern District of the Church of the Brethren; **Robert I. Stolzman**, of Providence, R.I.; and **Judy Shreckhise Strickler** of Harrisonburg.

Osborne, '58, retired in 1999 from his position as senior vice president, investment officer, with Wheat First Securities. He received a master's degree from the University of Virginia in 1966. He has served on the College's Roanoke Advisory Committee and the National Renaissance Campaign.

A member of the Mill Creek Church of the Brethren in Tryon, N.C., Rinehart has served as church clerk, participated in the choir and led Bible study groups. She and her daughter, Kimberly, own a bridal shop business.

Stolzman, a 1983 Bridgewater graduate, has been a partner in the law firm of Adler, Pollock & Sheehan Inc. since 1986. His practice is concentrated on issues such as land-use planning and zoning. Stolzman has served in leadership roles for his alma mater as a former president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors and a class agent. He received the Bridgewater College Young Alumnus Award in 1994. He received his J.D. degree from Washington & Lee University in 1986.

Strickler, a member of the boards of the Arts Council of the Valley and Generations Crossing, is an active member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Harrisonburg. She also has served on the board of Rockingham Memorial Hospital. ■

Thornley Hall of Fame Inductee

Dr. Thomas R. Thornley Jr., professor of music, *emeritus*, was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the South Carolina Band Directors Association in March. The ceremony took place during the All-State Bands concert held at Furman University. Thornley, former chair of the music department, taught at the College from 1972 to 1997 and directed the Concert and Stage bands. ■

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Student Peace Summit

By Karen Doss Bowman, '91

As escalating violence and political upheaval in the Middle East dominate the daily news headlines, students enrolled in Bridgewater's Middle Eastern history course, every spring semester by Dr. David McQuilken, professor of history and political science, grapple with the question of Palestine, a key factor contributing to hostilities in the area. Cast as world leaders and the United Nations, the students stage a classroom forum — a "Summit of Peace" — dedicated to proposing a solution to the Palestine-Israel conflict.

"It's ambitious, it's idealistic, and it goes beyond what you do in a normal class," McQuilken says. "It beats the idea of 'Here's a textbook, here's what it's about.' It's gaining first-hand knowledge by putting your hands on questions and issues."

At the beginning of the semester, McQuilken assigns each student a country, such as the United States, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Egypt, Jordan — and of course, Israel and Palestine. Another group of students represents the United Nations. Students spend the semester researching the policies and actions the nations have taken in the past regarding Israel-Palestine.

For the final class project, students use the last week debating and negotiating ways to create an independent Palestine, while maintaining the sovereignty of Israel. The students representing the United Nations moderate the discussions.

The most recent class of students, who held their U.N. "Summit of Peace" from April 30 to May 3, laid out a process for creating a Palestinian state that included implementing trade policies that would boost the shaky economy of Palestine, improving security in the region and promoting democracy. They also outlined specific actions for the United Nations to take. During the students' week-long "summit," McQuilken stayed out of the classroom, allowing the students to wrestle with the issues without his influence.

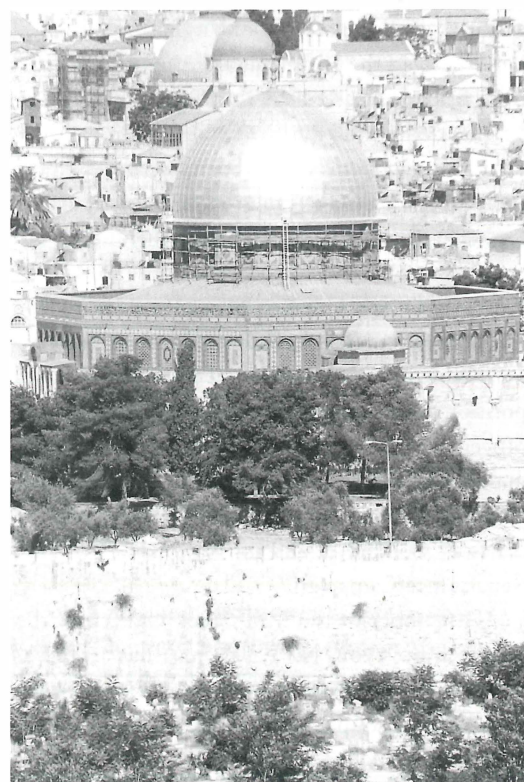
Mitchell Troup, a rising senior majoring in international studies, believes the exercise was more valuable than just listening to lectures. "It

was more vivid and clear to us when we could see how the politics of the region work," he says. He was also impressed that his classmates did not let personal biases interfere with the process.

"I think one of the best things about this class," Troup says, "is that in a day and age where [the Middle East] is an area of great focus in the news, the class did a great job of looking at the objectives of the people involved."

Through careful examination of the issues that permeate international relations in the Middle East — exploring their historical, cultural and religious roots — McQuilken hopes students learn "the difficulties that confront policy makers trying to resolve very complex issues and problems within international politics."

Ultimately, McQuilken says, the students learn that "compromise is a very fundamental issue," and one that they all will face throughout their personal and professional lives. "You're exposing them, often for the first time, to these kinds of circumstances and forcing them to begin the process of working through the complexities of the issues and the intricacies so that one can begin to see what kinds of solutions there might be."



Joining the Pack

By Steve Cox, '81

All-American linebacker Jermaine Taylor spent part of his time at the Green Bay Packers' minicamp trying to explain just where Bridgewater College is located.

He spent most of his time, however, impressing the Packers coaching staff.

Taylor was invited to the three-day minicamp in May for a tryout with the Packers and left with a two-year, free agent contract.

"Guys would ask me where I played my college ball, and I would proudly say Bridgewater College," Taylor said. "Of course no one had any idea where Bridgewater is."

Before getting the invitation to Packers' camp, there were some anxious moments for the Bridgewater star. He was hoping to get a call from an NFL team on Sunday evening following the conclusion of the second day of the draft. That call didn't come.

"I was pretty down Monday morning, but then my cell phone started ringing, and it was the call I had been waiting for. It was a big relief," Taylor admitted.

Despite arriving in Green Bay as an unknown to most of the other players, Taylor quickly proved that he belonged in an NFL camp.

The one attribute that made Taylor a standout in college — speed — also was the one thing that caught the coaches' eyes in Green Bay.

"I was the smallest linebacker in camp, but I was also the fastest," Taylor explained. "I just tried to do the same things that I did in college, like using my speed to get to the football. I think they liked what they saw."

Taylor's best chance to make the Packers team may come as a special teams performer. "That's where my speed is an advantage," Taylor said. "I know I can get downfield in coverage and make some plays."

The Eagles' standout may also face a position change in the pros as he could move to safety. "I started to do some drills with the safeties at the tryout, but it was so hot and I was cramping up, and Coach Sherman (Packers head coach Mike Sherman) said not to worry about it.

I'm sure I'll probably work some at safety when I go back to Green Bay."

Of course, linebacker is where Taylor dominated in college, and that's where he would like to stay. "Linebacker is where I'm most comfortable. I just need to keep showing them that I can use my speed at that position to offset my lack of size."

Taylor explained that the size of the other players in camp was most noticeable when watching film. "I really didn't notice the difference when we were on the field, but when I was watching film it really hit me how tall everyone was. Most of the linebackers are 6-3 to 6-4, and the linemen are 6-5 and taller."

The three-day tryout was conducted without pads. Taylor is looking forward to putting the pads on for the first time in an NFL camp.

"Without pads, I showed that I could definitely compete," Taylor said. "Now I have to do the same thing when we put the pads on. One of the things they want to see is whether or not I can take the pounding and the hits from the big offensive linemen. I'm anxious to see how I stack up with pads on. I know I'm going to have to work on techniques and take advantage of my speed and quickness."

Regardless of how things work out, Taylor is getting exactly what he wanted all along.

"When the Green Bay coach came to work me out, I told him that all I wanted was a chance to show what I can do. I'm getting my chance, and it's up to me to make the most of it." ■



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Sports Wrap

Baseball

The Bridgewater baseball team completed another solid season in 2004, finishing with a 24-16 overall record and a 14-4 mark in the ODAC that tied the Eagles for second place.

Senior J.R. Estes produced a record-setting season for the Eagles to lead the 2004 squad. Estes led the conference in home runs with 17, total bases with 141 and RBIs with 56. His 17 homers tied a BC single-season record, and his 68 base hits established a new single-season mark. Estes, the ODAC Player of the Year, was named to the All-ODAC First Team and to the ABCA/Rawlings Division III All-American Baseball First Team.

Freshman Ricky Read also was instrumental in BC's success and was selected as the ODAC Rookie of the Year. Read hit .383 with four homers and 34 RBIs and was 2-1 on the mound with five saves and a 1.91 ERA. Also honored on the All-ODAC team was senior Kyle Walling, who was named to the Second Team. Walling hit .333 for the Eagles and did not make an error the entire season in left field.

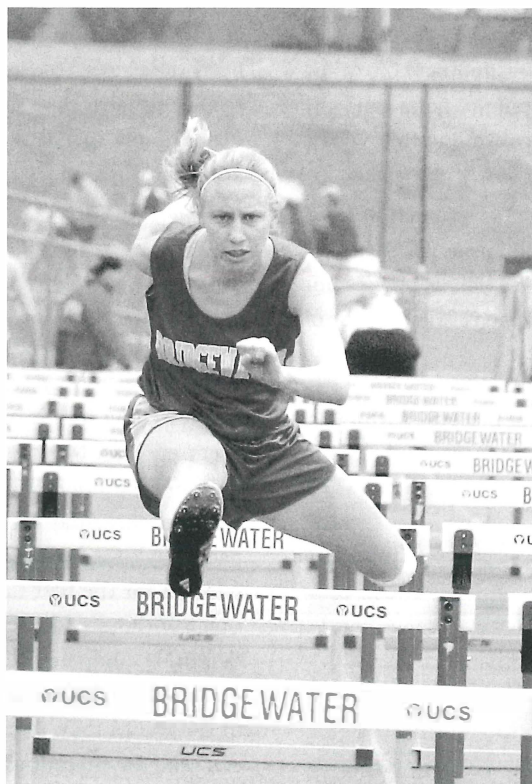
Softball

The softball season once again competed with the best teams in the conference. The Eagles finished with a 26-17 overall record and tied for third in the ODAC with a 12-4 mark. The Eagles went 1-2 in the conference tournament, defeating rival Eastern Mennonite

in the first round before losing games to Roanoke and Emory & Henry.

Earning individual honors for the Eagles were sophomore pitcher Marlo Powell and freshman third baseman Lindsay Ware – both second-team All-ODAC picks. Powell led the Eagles in victories with a 13-8 record and finished with a 1.51 ERA. Ware hit .322 for the Eagles and drove in 15 runs.

Freshman pitcher Lisa Rhodes was named to the All-ODAC honorable mention list. Rhodes finished with a 10-7 record and led the team with a 1.38 ERA. Rhodes also pitched the first perfect game in Bridgewater history in a 6-0 victory over Randolph-Macon.



Lacrosse

The lacrosse team was plagued by injuries throughout the 2004 season and struggled to a 1-11 overall mark and a 1-6 ODAC record.

Senior Amy Hodson closed out a stellar career when she was named honorable mention All-ODAC.

Hodson established herself as one of the top defensive players in the conference during her four years with the Eagles.

Outdoor Track

The men's outdoor track team just missed in its quest for a conference title as the Eagles finished a mere 7.5 points behind perennial power Lynchburg at the conference meet.

Senior standout Steward White was named Co-Athlete of the Meet at the conference championships. White finished first in the triple jump and 110-meter hurdles, placed second in the long jump and ranked third in the 400-meter hurdles.

Other individual winners included Jermaine Taylor in the 100 meters, Ricky Easterling in the high jump, Jacobie Napier in the long jump, Doug Balmer in the javelin and Clay Hall in the shot put. Second-place finishers at the ODAC meet were Hall in the discus and Jacob Lewis in the triple jump.

The women placed fifth at the ODAC meet, and freshman Terri Baker won the 200 meters.

Junior Doug Balmer was selected as the Men's Outdoor Track Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Balmer, a chemistry major, was one of the top all-around performers in the ODAC. He participated in several different events during the season. In addition to winning the javelin at the conference meet, he also placed third in the 800.

Men's Tennis

The men's tennis team turned in one of its best seasons in recent years. Under first-year head coach Steve Watson, the Eagles placed fifth at the conference tournament. The team finished the year with a 10-8 record overall and a 3-4 ODAC mark.

Jarod Spessard at No. 4 singles and Ryan Smith at No. 5 led the Eagles at the conference tournament as each finished in third place in his respective flight. Spessard also teamed with Jon Carlson to finish third in the No. 3 doubles draw.

Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team produced another solid season as the Eagles finished in a tie for fifth place at the ODAC tournament. Bridgewater finished the year with an 8-7 overall record and a 5-4 ODAC mark. Freshman Ashley Clay was named to the ODAC All-Tournament Team after placing fourth in the No. 5 singles bracket. The Eagles also received the team sportsmanship award that was presented for the first time at this year's conference tournament.

Golf

The Eagles golf team put together one of the best seasons in College history. Bridgewater

finished third in the conference tournament and placed second in the State College Division tournament. During the season the Eagles also won the Ted Keller Invitational hosted by Randolph-Macon and the Buck Leslie Invitational hosted by Washington & Lee.

Freshman Grady Ruckman and senior Chuck Whetzel were selected to the All-ODAC First Team, and freshman Andrew Bartley was named to the ODAC All-Tournament Team.

Cross Country

The Eagles cross country teams continued to show improvement under head coach Lori Schrock. For the men, Robbie Olsen placed first at Virginia Wesleyan's Blue Marlin Invitational and was named to the All-ODAC Second Team. Billy Cecil also had a solid season for the Eagles and earned All-State honors at the College Division meet.

Freshman Danielle Ginsey paced the women's squad and was one of the top first-year runners in the conference. Ginsey earned All-State honors at the college division meet and was named to the All-ODAC First Team. She also was named to the All-Region Freshman Second Team by southregionrunning.com.

Equestrian

The College's riding team continued to rank among the region's best under the guidance of coach Sarah Irvine. The Eagles placed second at the ODAC Show, and riders Cary Chenoweth, Alexis Starer and April Elliott qualified for zones competition, which is one step below the national show. ■



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FOOTBALL 2004

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| <i>Oyster Bowl - Hampton, VA</i> | | |
| OCTOBER | | |
| 2 | HAMPDEN-SYDNEY* | 1 P.M. |
| <i>Homecoming</i> | | |
| 16 | Guilford* | 1 p.m. |
| 23 | EMORY & HENRY* | 1 P.M. |
| 30 | WASHINGTON & LEE* | 1 P.M. |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| 6 | Randolph-Macon* | 1 p.m. |
| 13 | Catholic* | 1 p.m. |

* ODAC Game
HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS

Learning^{by} Leading



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By Theresa Curry and
Karen Doss Bowman, '91



For Justin Pruett, the journey toward becoming a leader has sometimes been a circular one.

As a student at Glencliff High School in Nashville, Pruett was chosen to participate in Bridgewater's annual High School Leadership Academy (HSLA) in 1999. Now a rising senior at Bridgewater, Pruett works for the summer program, coaching high school students to build their skills in problem-solving, effective communication and consensus building.

"The Academy definitely had a lasting effect on me," says Pruett, Bridgewater's student body president. "I learned a great deal about leadership and took away a lot of the skills I use to this day."

HSLA is the most visible part of Bridgewater's Zane D. Showker Leadership Institute, which includes programs designed to fulfill the College's important mission of training future leaders. Another piece of the Institute is the yearly Leadership Symposium, which taps campus leaders for a two-day retreat focused on real College issues. A third program is still in the planning stages.

Dr. Karen Wigginton, vice president of college relations, directs the Institute and began working in her newly created position last summer, just in time for an introduction to HSLA. She spent her first weeks on the job shadowing Dr. Jeffrey Pierson, chair of the communication studies department, who directed the program for several years. Doing so gave her the opportunity to assess the Academy's strengths and consider changes for future programs. One of those changes for this summer is the addition of community business leaders to the HSLA faculty.

The program's staff, which includes about 24 Bridgewater students who work as facilitators or in supporting roles, is well prepared for the nearly

100 high school student participants. The staff anticipates a little nervousness and homesickness, not to mention the apprehension that stems from rooming with a complete stranger. But the week's schedule leaves very little time to dwell on anxieties.

"We keep them very busy," Wigginton says. "They're involved in activities throughout the day and evening." The students are divided into groups of 10 representing a variety of backgrounds and interests and are led by two Bridgewater student facilitators, a male and a female. With their assigned groups, the students attend seminars covering topics such as conflict resolution, ethics, and gender and leadership, as well as outdoor group-building exercises, led by the staff of Camp Brethren Woods near Harrisonburg, Va. The schedule also includes relaxing evening activities that bring all participants together, including swimming, ice cream socials, dances and a talent show.

It's no accident that attendees have an extremely high level of character and commitment — the process is very selective. Each year the Academy sends letters to hundreds of high schools within a day's drive, inviting them to nominate a couple of outstanding leaders. "We typically have more nominations than spaces," Wigginton says. "And there's a good mix of participants from a variety of leadership backgrounds."

The summer program also is a good tool for recruiting prospective students: HSLA was Pruett's first introduction to Bridgewater College. Though it wasn't the only choice he pursued, he says, "[The experience] prompted my knowledge of Bridgewater, and it became an option I could not pass up."

When this summer's high school students arrive at Bridgewater on Aug. 1, they'll have at least one thing in common, Pierson says. "Whether

they're the captain of the football team or the president of the drama society, they're the ones who always show up," he says. "And usually at their high schools they're used to being one of only a few who do. It's a new experience for them to be around so many other leaders."

Like Pruett, Brooke Bredel, a rising junior, attended HSLA as a high school student. It was exciting for her to meet so many other ambitious students with interests similar to her own. "Afterwards, I realized that there are so many students out there who want to make an impact in the world," she says.

The high school students who participate in HSLA already have a wide range of readily identifiable leadership skills, Pierson says. "Certainly, age and maturity help with some of the decision-making skills," he says, "but building a strong foundation is very important." Building on that foundation is where the Academy's mission comes in. Every activity scheduled during the week is designed to identify and enhance each student's innate abilities.

Pierson believes that leadership qualities have a certain commonality regardless of the nature of the group that's being led: "It seems to me that the qualities of effective leadership are quite transferable," he says. "The skills needed to succeed in leading a sports team can often be quite similar to the skills needed for success in student government."

Helping others learn leadership skills reinforces one's own proficiencies, says Wigginton, and she's observed that Bridgewater's students grow personally through mentoring the high school leaders at the Academy. Christina Simko, who co-edits the student newspaper and is an officer in several campus organizations, has worked as a facilitator for the past two summers. "I hoped that the [HSLA] students would benefit from the insight and experience

of Bridgewater's leaders," she says, "but each summer I find myself learning from their creativity, enthusiasm and idealism. I've discovered that facilitating is a reciprocal process."

Through the efforts of the College's Leadership Institute, Bridgewater's campus leaders grow in both confidence and the ability to collaborate with each other in their daily, informal interactions. During the annual Leadership Symposium — the off-campus retreat for select students — Wigginton explains that the young leaders hammer out recommendations on vital campus issues. "We look to them to help us identify and address certain issues," she says. "One that comes to mind was assigning space in the new apartment-style residence hall. Who should live there? What features should we incorporate?" The Symposium also was given the task of commenting on the school's marketing methods targeted at prospective students and their parents. "We carefully consider the students' recommendations when making decisions," Wigginton says. "That's what I find especially valuable about the Symposium — it's not just an exercise."

The administration's favorable response to the opinions of campus leaders goes a long way in building their confidence and creating a positive academic experience. And that will hopefully strengthen their affiliation with the College after graduation. "Throughout the past three years I have continually been impressed with how thoughtfully and seriously students' perspectives are considered by the institution," Simko says. "It is a community in the most positive sense of the word, where all members are celebrated and respected."

Bridgewater's young leaders believe they've learned fundamental truths from their experiences — both in the classroom and through co-curricular

activities — that might have taken much longer without the school's deliberate focus on leadership. Simko hasn't decided on future career goals, but she's learned at least one life-changing lesson: "Fundamentally, leadership is not about holding office or exerting authority. It is about listening and serving." ■

Photos at right:
(outside, clockwise)

Justin Pruett, as a high school student, participates in the ropes course during the High School Leadership Academy in 1999.

Beth Eller and Jon Small get acquainted during a pizza party for the 2004 HSLA staff in April.

Christina Simko during the pizza party for HSLA leaders.

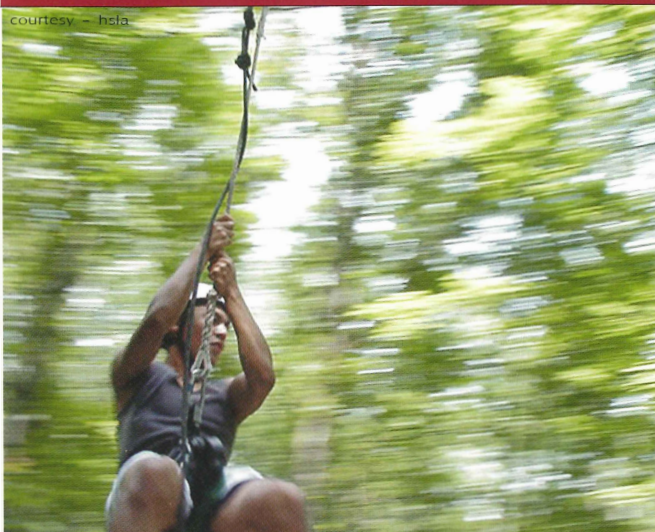
Brooke Bredel at the HSLA pizza party.

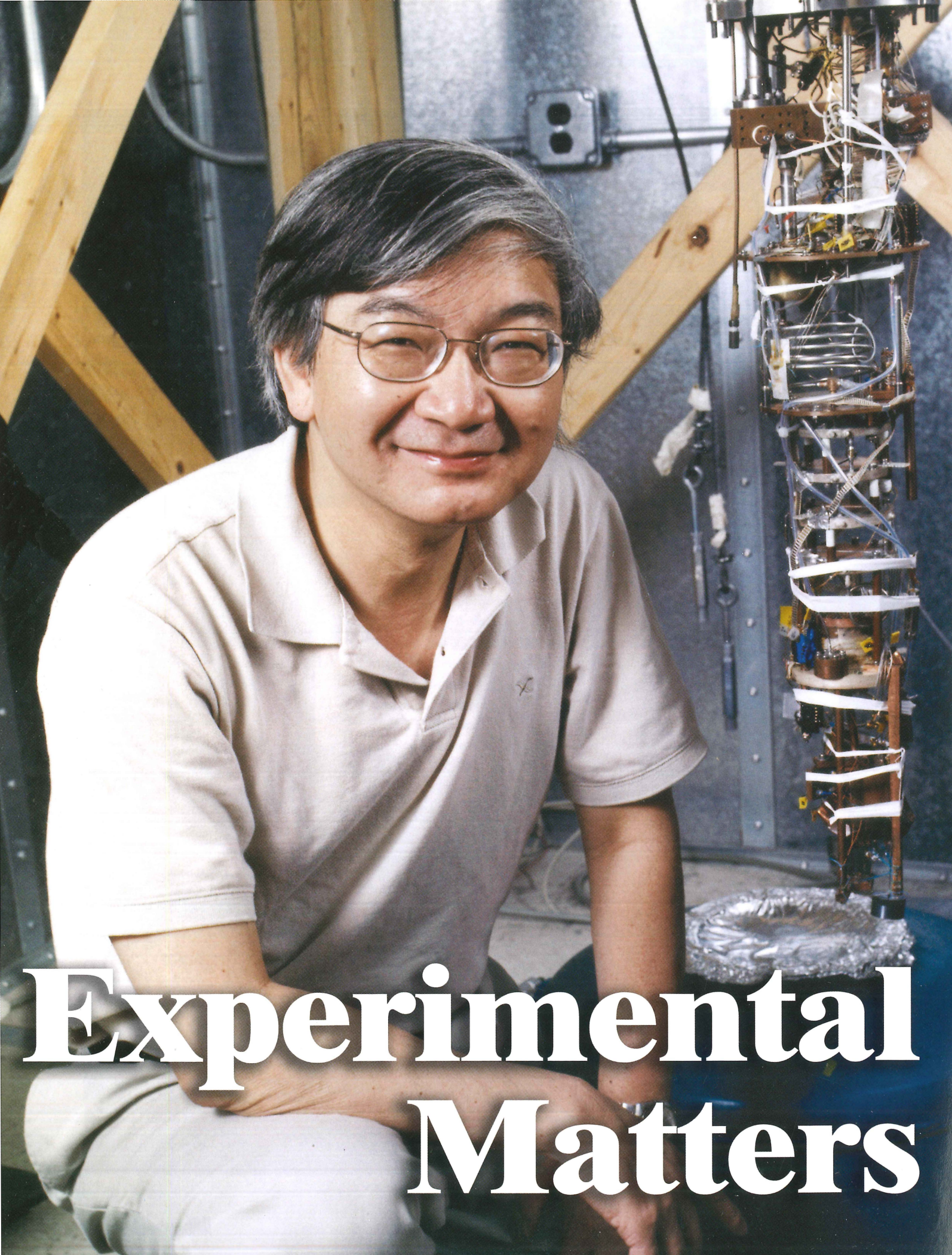
Students participate in team-building activities during HSLA.

At the pizza party, Sarah Wood demonstrates her quirky talent — turning her feet around to the back of her body.

(center)

Brad Hayes participates in a group dynamics exercise, "The Gift," during the HSLA pizza party.





Experimental Matters

Dr. Moses Chan is drawing international attention for the scientific research he began as a student at Bridgewater College. His career-long interest in

the transitions between different phases of matter, begun under the direction of professor *emeritus* Dr. Dale Ulrich, has led to the discovery of a new state of matter, a “supersolid” form of helium-4 that behaves like a superfluid. When the story broke in January, science publications throughout the world covered the news.

As a sophomore at Bridgewater, Chan participated in a study of the transition between liquid and vapor phases of the noble gas xenon as it nears its critical point. This work took place in Ulrich’s lab in the basement of Bowman Hall. Now, the 1967 Bridgewater graduate is cast in the role of teacher, as the Evan Pugh Professor of Physics at Pennsylvania State University. He conducted the experiment that led to this recent discovery with his graduate student Eun-Seong Kim. They worked on the project for about three years.

“We discovered that solid helium-4 appears to behave like a superfluid when it is so cold that the laws of quantum mechanics govern its behavior,” Chan says. “We apparently have observed, for the first time, a solid material with the characteristics of a superfluid.” The discovery, Chan explains, is “another manifestation of how quantum mechanics behaves on a macroscopic scale, and therefore, contributes to our fundamental knowledge of how quantum mechanics govern the world we live in.”

By Karen Doss Bowman
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Helium-4 was used for the experiment, Chan explains, because it is the lightest gas, and “quantum-mechanical effect is most likely to show up.” Ulrich offers an explanation of Chan’s discovery that someone lacking a physics background might understand: “A fun question to ask is ‘How does helium-4 behave when it is close to zero Kelvin?’ Under one atmosphere pressure and colder than 2 Kelvin, it is a liquid that behaves strangely. It becomes a ‘superfluid’ with no viscosity. It can even climb up and flow over the walls of a container. Helium-4 had been frozen to a solid before, but Dr. Chan and his graduate student have found that when helium-4 is subjected to a temperature of less than 0.175 K and a pressure greater than 62 atmospheres, it becomes a supersolid. Under such conditions, the helium-4 atoms align in such a way that holes between the atoms can move about freely.”

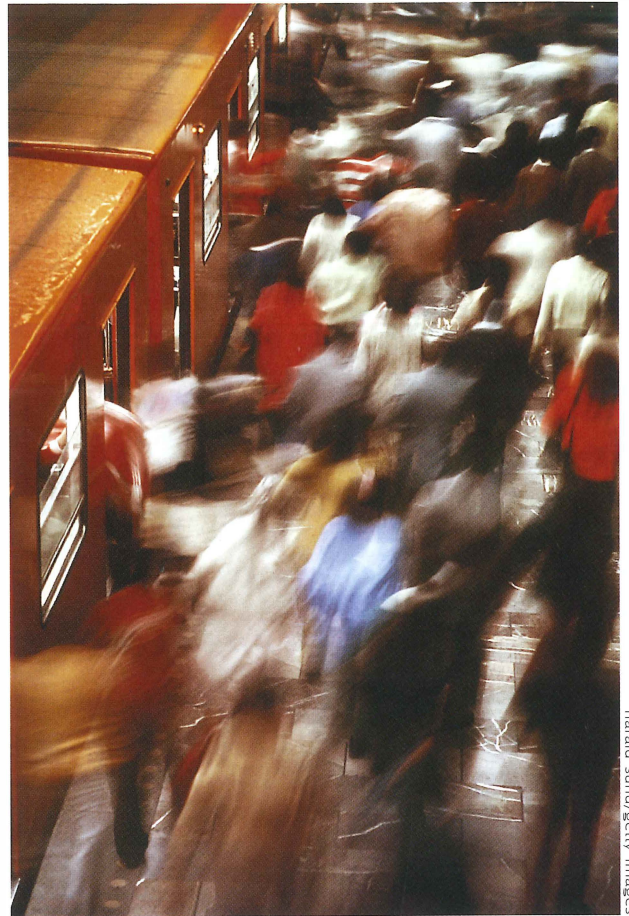
Chan says one way to think about the phenomenon of superfluidity is to imagine that each particle of helium-4 is a person standing on an overcrowded subway train at rush hour. “The door opens and some of the people want to move out, but they are packed so tightly together that there is a lot of friction between them,” he says. “Under normal conditions, the people who want to stay on the train will be dragged out along with those who are pushing to get out the door. But if the packed subway riders somehow became infinitely slippery, they would flow like a superfluid — each moving person gliding with ease around those who were standing still.”

If Chan's experiment is replicated, it would confirm that all three states of matter can enter into the "super" state, known as a Bose-Einstein condensation, meaning that all particles have condensed into the same quantum-mechanical state. The existence of superfluid and "supervapor" had previously been proven, but theorists had continued to debate about whether a supersolid was even possible.

Chan's education at Bridgewater provided the early foundation for his professional accomplishments. The experiment done in Ulrich's lab was Chan's first taste of research, which gave him experience at a higher level than most undergraduates get in a standard physics lab. "The typical physics laboratory that undergraduate students experience is limited to three hours in an afternoon to conduct one or two experiments that have been performed many, many times to illustrate principles that have been known and verified over and over," Ulrich explains. "Working in a research laboratory, building original equipment and making scientifically significant measurements is different, and Moses experienced that at Bridgewater."

Born in Hong Kong, Chan learned of Bridgewater College through a family friend, the Rev. Walter Heisey, a missionary in China who was the father of professor *emeritus* Dr. Lowell Heisey. Chan enrolled at Bridgewater in 1964 and completed his studies in three years, ranking first in his class. Upon graduation, Chan was awarded a graduate assistantship at Cornell University, where he earned his master's and doctoral degrees in physics. In 1974, when Chan had completed the oral examination for his doctorate, Ulrich says, the chairman of Cornell's physics department wrote to the Bridgewater professors, "If you have any more students like Moses, send them."

Indeed, he showed exceptional promise as a student. Heisey recalls thinking that Chan never really needed to study because of his ability to retain and comprehend information on the first reading. "He just has a brilliant mind," Heisey says. "He has the right genes, I guess, that allowed him the ease of study and the ability of assimilating facts."



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Both Heisey and Ulrich agree that Chan, in addition to being highly intelligent, is an amiable man with a great sense of humor. At Bridgewater, he was president of the Physics Club but also pursued other activities, such as singing in the Concert Choir and teaching Sunday school lessons.

Chan also was known on Bridgewater's campus as an expert bridge player, Ulrich says, and he carried this skill into graduate school. Ulrich recalls, "When Dr. Robert Richardson, a Cornell University professor and recipient of a 1994 Nobel Prize in physics, spoke at Bridgewater College, he commented, 'Moses was by far the best bridge player among the Cornell physics graduate students at that time.'"

While pursuing his master's degree, Chan spent a year teaching at the University of Hong Kong from 1969 to 1970. After completing his studies at Cornell in 1974, Chan went to Duke University for two years of post-doctoral research before accepting a teaching position at the University of Toledo. He joined the faculty of Pennsylvania State University in 1979. The university named him a Distinguished Professor of Physics in 1990, and in 1994, he was awarded the Evan Pugh Professorship.

A member of the National Academy of Sciences since 2000, Chan was recently elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has written or co-authored numerous journal articles and book chapters, and much of his research has been supported by grants from the National Science Foundation. A Fellow in the American Physical Society, Chan received the Fritz London Memorial Prize in Low Temperature Physics in 1996. He also has received a Guggenheim Fellowship and a Senior Research Fellowship from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science. He received the Young Alumnus Award from Bridgewater College in 1986.

Chan has been a guest lecturer at leading universities around the nation, including California Institute of Technology, Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Michigan. Additionally, in 1982, Moses lectured at Nankai, Nanjing, Fudan and Zhongshan universities at the invitation of the China Ministry of Education and the four universities.

Throughout his teaching career, in which he has supervised 13 Ph.D. candidates and seven master's degree candidates and mentored 13 post-doctoral scholars, Chan says he has aspired to be like the Bridgewater professors who inspired him, including Ulrich, Heisey, Dr. Dean Neher, Dr. David Metzler and Dr. John White. "Their dedication and kindness know no bounds and have no equal," he says. "In addition to being teachers, they are my lifelong mentors and friends." ■

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Moses Chan, explaining superfluidity



Creating a Buzz

**Sarah Smith Greenleaf
Quietly Dazzles the
Scientific Community**

By Heather B. Hayes
Photos courtesy Sarah Smith Greenleaf

When Bridgewater alumna Sarah Smith Greenleaf ('99) entered the graduate program in ecology and evolutionary biology at Princeton University five years ago, she quickly gained a reputation for being exceptionally bright, energetic, organized, conscientious and independent. Still, during one element of her major study on the pollination services of native bees (non-honeybees), this 25-year-old scientist managed to completely surprise her Ph.D. advisor, Claire Kremen, with an innate ability to think outside of the traditional academic box.

The task at hand? Breeding bumblebees. "Instead of just studying them in nature, we wanted to put them in certain environments and see how they responded," explains Kremen, an assistant professor at Princeton. To do that, Sarah and her team needed to capture wild queens and then hatch and raise about 70 colonies in the laboratory. Such a feat had rarely been attempted, and things went so poorly, Kremen admits, that she had little hope that the project would succeed. "But Sarah went back and, based on that first year of figuring out what had gone wrong, managed to raise a lot more bees than we actually needed. It was an amazing coup."

Greenleaf — who recently was named one of Bridgewater's 2004 Young Alumnus Award winners and is a recipient of both the prestigious National Science Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship and the Environmental Protection Agency's STAR Fellowship — doesn't seem to mind that people sometimes have a tendency to underestimate her indefatigable inner drive. For this soft-spoken, humble Virginia native, results are what matter, and the homegrown bumblebees that she so persistently nurtured into being are now an integral part of her graduate work, which could ultimately help improve the future of agricultural productivity.

Not surprisingly, given her status at Bridgewater as a *summa cum laude* graduate with a double major in biology and psychology — and just a few credits shy of a third major in chemistry — Greenleaf could have studied just about any field of science. And she nearly did, applying for graduate work in neuroscience at several prestigious universities. Eventually, though, this dairy farmer's daughter decided on ecology and conservation.



Pictured opposite page:

A native bee, *Melissodes* sp., on a sunflower.

Above: Greenleaf, holding a box containing a bumblebee colony she raised, stands in a sunflower field in Yolo County in Northern Calif., where she has conducted her graduate research.

Below: A native bee, *Halictus ligatus*, on a sunflower leaf.



"I am fascinated with neuroscience and probably would have made more money doing that," Greenleaf confesses. "But I really made the decision based on what I care about, and conservation is a really pressing issue that needs research and attention and emphasis. I wanted to do something with my life that seemed worthwhile to me, and that turned out to be environmental studies."

Raised on a 180-acre farm just outside of Harrisonburg, the then-Sarah Smith came by her natural interests in the most



Pictured above: A native bee, *Andrena cerasifolii*, on an almond flower.

Right: Greenleaf in the research field, holding a box of her hand-reared bumblebees.

natural way. The first spark, she says, occurred during a family camping trip to the Great Smoky Mountains when her father pointed out a decayed American chestnut tree and told Sarah its sad story: The mighty tree, which once dominated East Coast forests, had been killed off by a blight transported from Europe. “I was interested in conservation from that point on,” she explains.

Her family would help fuel her passion. Both her parents and grandparents hold doctoral degrees (and her grandfather is a former Fulbright Scholar), but the bulk of her early education didn’t come through formal training. Greenleaf, who was raised Old Order Quaker, received much of her primary schooling in a former chicken coop that had been converted into a one-room schoolhouse and later attended an unaccredited high school. Still, Greenleaf’s mother, Susan, encouraged reading and learning at every turn, while Greenleaf’s father, John, showed her that agricultural pursuits and environmental concern were not mutually exclusive. During Greenleaf’s childhood, he participated in the Save the Chesapeake Bay campaign, for example, and would take special care to perform crop rotation and erosion control and even left dead and unsightly trees for the benefit of woodpeckers.

It was at Bridgewater, though, that Greenleaf would begin to hone her knack for surprising people. Dr. Sarah Swank, professor of biology, recalls a student with an almost unlimited capacity for work and learning. Despite a heavy and diverse load of courses, for example, Greenleaf still found time to voluntarily teach science to a local class of fifth graders, and while enrolled in a particularly intense summer course at the Biological Station at Mountain Lake, she couldn’t help getting involved in a side research project. “On a totally non-credit basis, she offered to help out this one researcher in work that involved trapping chipmunks,” Swank notes. “For so many people, it’s about gaining credentials, but Sarah just wants to gain knowledge. She’s genuinely curious. I’ve never had another student like her.”

This broad interest in learning was actually problematic when Greenleaf began her graduate studies at Princeton and had to significantly narrow her interests. “I really stumbled around a lot my first year,” she admits, though she made a lot of close friends and gained a reputation for cooking gourmet meals. Soon, though, her department hired new professor Claire Kremen, who had already begun research into the behavior of native bees. “That was the perfect project for me,” Greenleaf says now, “because it combines everything I’m interested in: ecology, conservation and agriculture.”

She quickly delved into her project, which required her to study and catalog the pollination habits of native, wild bees. “About 30 percent of the food that we eat depends on some kind of pollination,” Greenleaf



explains. Honeybees have long been viewed as the proverbial workhorse of this activity, but with their population on a significant decline because of a mite epidemic, habitat issues, a decline in the federal subsidy to the honey industry and the steady migration north of the aggressive Africanized killer bees, they are quickly losing their capacity to keep up with demand. Greenleaf is looking at whether and how the other 29,999 species of native bees can help pick up the slack.

The effort has taken her from New Jersey to the organic farm fields that dot the region outside of Sacramento, Calif. There, she spends most of her time observing honeybees and their wild, native counterparts as they carry pollen from one sunflower to the next. Her findings have thus far been surprising: some native bees are better pollinators than honeybees, and just the presence of native bees can actually make honeybees work harder and faster. “When honeybees are pollinating by themselves, they leave two seeds per visit,” Greenleaf explains. “But when they’re being chased by native bees, they leave 20 seeds. I’ve found that 80 percent of the total pollination in a field can come from the native bees making the honeybees better pollinators. That’s pretty huge.”

Greenleaf later expanded her study to include the pollination of tomatoes, which relies on a technique known as buzz pollination. Honeybees aren’t capable of this, but bumblebees and other types of native bees use their wings to achieve the frequency of Middle C, which forces the pollen to stream out of the flower. As a result, Greenleaf has concluded that bumblebees and native bees do increase tomato production when they’re grown outside. But she also found that bumblebees and their cohorts are more likely to come around (and in much greater numbers) if the tomatoes are located within a half-mile of natural habitat.

With this information in hand, she embarked on the aforementioned bumblebee-birthing experiment. Placing her newly hatched colonies in various environments, Greenleaf observed that bumblebees are more likely to set up shop on an organic farm than a conventional farm. And the more conventional the farm, the more important the existence of some type of natural habitat becomes. “Having a creek or a stand of undisturbed forest makes a huge difference in how many bees come around,” she explains.

Greenleaf, who last fall changed her name to Sarah Smith Greenleaf (an old family name) to avoid having her published work confused with the 3,000-plus other Sarah Smiths currently listed in the Science Citation index, is now hard at work completing data analysis for her dissertation. But of course, she’s undertaken an additional project: earning a graduate certificate from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs by applying economics to her research. “I plan to actually calculate the value in dollars and cents of these bees, so we can then say, this patch of wild habitat is worth this much money because of the pollination services that the bees are providing,” she explains.

From there, Greenleaf, who has also volunteered for Princeton’s Scholars in the Schools project and discussed her research findings on National Public Radio, hopes to teach critical thinking and writing to freshmen for the next year as a post-doctoral student. Eventually, she plans to study ecosystem services, possibly in the San Francisco Bay area. Pollination is an example of such a service, but Sarah says, “I’ll probably pick something different to study next.” Given her passion for learning, no one who knows her would be surprised. ■



Greenleaf collects data from a box containing bumblebees she raised.

Alumni Association Awards

As part of the Alumni Weekend celebration on April 16 and 17, the Bridgewater College Alumni Association presented its annual awards during the Ripples Society Banquet and the Alumni Banquet. Sarah Smith Greenleaf, featured on the previous pages, received a 2004 Young Alumnus Award. Five others were recognized for their noteworthy accomplishments in their careers or service to their communities.



Betty Blough Martin

Ripples Society Medal

Betty Blough Martin, a member of Bridgewater's class of 1945, has made significant contributions to the local community. Since 1985, she has been president of Lakewood Estates Inc. A founding member of the board of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Free Clinic, Martin continues to serve as the board's secretary. She also has held membership on the boards of the Rockingham Educational Foundation, the Community Foundation of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, the Bridgewater Retirement Community Foundation and the American Cancer Society.

Martin is active in local government, having served on the Shenandoah District Planning Commission, the Bridgewater Town Council and the Rockingham County School Board. She is past president of the Ripples Society of the Bridgewater College Alumni Association. Martin is a member of the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren, where she also serves in leadership roles.

An avid traveler, Martin worked for 15 years as a travel agent with Travel Counsellors Inc. in Harrisonburg. Although she is well rooted in her community, Martin manages to spend much time abroad, particularly in England, where she travels annually.

Though Martin was born in Madison, Wis., her connections with Bridgewater College were established early. Her parents, Carman and Katherine Flory Blough, also were Bridgewater graduates — her mother served on the College's Board of Trustees, while her father was an accounting professor during the 1917-1918 academic year. Bridgewater's Carman Blough Chair of Accounting was established in his honor.

Martin's late husband, Dr. John Martin Jr., a member of Bridgewater's class of 1944, was a chemistry professor at the College from 1961 until his retirement in 1986. The couple led Bridgewater students on Interterm trips to France, Germany, Switzerland, the Netherlands and Belgium, and they directed a Brethren Colleges Abroad program in Cheltenham, England, just before his death in 1987.

Dr. Ralph S. Wolfe

Ripples Society Medal

A leading researcher in the field of microbiology, Dr. Ralph S. Wolfe was part of a team that in 1977 discovered a new life form, methanogens, that live without oxygen and release methane gas. The research led to the discovery of a new metabolic pathway, new coenzymes and enzymes. These studies resulted in 200 scientific publications.



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Top: Ripples medalists Dr. Ralph S. Wolfe and Betty Blough Martin **Bottom:** President Stone (back, center) with Young Alumnus awardees (back row) Matthew Garber and Sarah Smith Greenleaf and (front row)

Beverly Wampler Lineweaver, recipient of the West-Whitelow Award for Humanitarian Service, and Distinguished Alumnus Award recipient Stuart R. Suter.

The 1942 Bridgewater graduate received his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Pennsylvania. After receiving his Ph.D. in 1953, Wolfe became an instructor in the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign's department of microbiology. Over the years, he earned promotions until he became a full professor in 1961. He retired in 1991, earning the status of professor *emeritus* of microbiology. He still goes to the lab and "putters around" almost every day, with breaks taken to spend summers with his wife, Gretka, at their lake cabin in Minnesota.

Guggenheim Fellowships supported Wolfe's research sabbaticals at the University of Sheffield in England, the Institute Pasteur in Paris and the University of Göttingen in Germany. In 1967, he received a United States Public Health Service Fellowship to conduct research at the University of Hawaii and in 1983, studied at the University of Marburg and the University of Konstanz in Germany with the support of an Alexander von Humboldt Senior Award.

In 1981, Wolfe was elected to the National Academy of Sciences, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the University of Illinois' Center for Advanced Study. During his distinguished teaching career spanning 40 years, Wolfe mentored 28 graduate students and 28 postdoctoral students. His commitment to his students was honored in 1971 with the Carski Distinguished Teaching Award from the American Society for Microbiology.

Other honors include the Selman Waksman Award from the National Academy of Sciences, the Abbott Lifetime Achievement Award and the Procter and Gamble Award in Environmental Microbiology from the American Society of Microbiology. He received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Bridgewater College in 1978.

Stuart R. Suter

Distinguished Alumnus Award

A 1963 Bridgewater College graduate, Stuart R. Suter began his career as a medicinal chemist with SmithKline Corp. (now GlaxoSmithKline Corp.) after earning his master's degree from the University of Michigan. He worked for the company for two years,

developing potential new pharmaceutical products using new organic chemicals.

Suter left the company to pursue his Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of Virginia. After graduating from UVA in 1971, he resumed employment with GlaxoSmithKline as a patent administrator, drafting and prosecuting patent applications, and was admitted to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. In 1973, he became a patent agent with his own docket of U.S. and foreign patent applications and also was responsible for filing patent applications for inventions created in the company's antibacterial research program.

After earning his J.D. from Temple University in 1976, Suter became a patent attorney for the company. In 1980, Suter began to take on supervisory roles in the patent department, being promoted from a senior patent attorney to assistant patent counsel and associate patent counsel. In 1988, he became vice president and patent counsel and worked in this position until his retirement in 1996.

Now a consultant in the field of patent matters and technology transfer in the chemical and pharmaceutical areas, Suter holds professional memberships in the American Bar Association, the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association (PIPLA), the Licensing Executive Society and the American Chemical Society. He has served in leadership roles for AIPLA and PIPLA.

Suter and his wife, Lorraine, are active members of Ambler Church of the Brethren, where he is a deacon. A member and former chair of the Peter Becker Community's board of directors, Suter also has served on the boards of Reach Associates, a non-profit family counseling service, and Community Home Services, a community home service agency started by area Brethren and Mennonite retirement communities.

Matthew Burton Garber

Young Alumnus Award

Matthew Burton Garber was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army Medical Specialist Corps upon graduating from



Golden Reunion

Alumni Weekend festivities included the 50th reunion celebration of the Class of 1954. Class members were inducted into the Ripples Society at the organization's annual banquet.

Lawrence Durr (*top photo*) and Mary Alice Phillips Womble (*center photo*), both members of the class of 1954, await the start of the Ripples Society Banquet.



Naomi Miller West, '29, and Carlyle Whitelow, '59, (*bottom photo*) attended the annual

Alumni Banquet, where the second annual West-Whitelow Award for Humanitarian Service, named in their honor, was presented to Bev Wampler Lineweaver, '57.



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Bridgewater College in 1990 and received his training as a physical therapist in Baylor University's joint program with the military. After earning his master's degree in 1992, Garber completed his initial assignment at Winn Army Community Hospital at Fort Stewart, Ga. He then became one of three Army physical therapists chosen to attend the first Army Orthopaedic Physical Therapy residency program at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio.

In 1996, Garber became chief of physical therapy supporting the 82nd Airborne Division at

Fort Bragg, N.C., and the following year he participated in a multi-national humanitarian medical and civil affairs exercise in Thailand. From 1999 to 2002, he served as director of the U.S. Army Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Residency, successfully guiding the program through its first credentialing review by the American Physical Therapy Association.

Garber earned his doctor of science degree in orthopedic and manual physical therapy from Baylor University. In 2002, he entered the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., completing the program last year. He currently is Executive Fellow for the Army Medical Specialist Corps at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

In July, Garber will become assistant chief of physical therapy at Brooke Army Medical Center. Additionally, he is an assistant professor at Baylor University, an instructor at Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions in Provo, Utah, and serves on the faculty of several military and civilian continuing education courses. He is a board certified specialist in orthopaedic physical therapy and a fellow in the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists.

Garber has published numerous manuscripts and abstracts in peer-reviewed journals, as well as three book chapters. He also has co-authored several award-winning research projects. His military honors include three Meritorious Service Medals, the Army Commendation Medal, the Expert Field Medical Badge and induction into the Order of Military Medical Merit. He and his wife, Lisa, have a daughter, Cameron.

Beverly Wampler Lineweaver

West-Whitelow Award for Humanitarian Service

Beverly Wampler Lineweaver has spent most of her adult life caring for family members and volunteering in various capacities within her community — and nationally — to make life better for those in need.

The 1957 Bridgewater College graduate has been a lifelong participant and leader in 4-H activities and served as the state organization's Big Chief. She has received numerous 4-H honors, and was tapped into the Virginia 4-H All Stars in 1953. Lineweaver and her husband, Joe, met

through their 4-H experiences, and he also is an All Star. Their three children also are All Stars.

Since 1992, Lineweaver has been a Disaster Child Care volunteer, certified by the Red Cross to travel to disaster sites where she provides comfort and care to children who have been traumatized by the events. In addition to volunteering in the aftermath of natural disasters, she has responded to three airline disasters, including the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center.

For more than 30 years, Lineweaver has been a member of PEO, a philanthropic and educational organization committed to furthering higher education opportunities for women through scholarships. She currently is serving her third term as president for the organization. A member of Northside Presbyterian Church in Blacksburg, Va., Lineweaver was the first woman elected to serve as a deacon for the congregation. Currently a trustee, she also has served as an elder and wrote a manuscript

recording the congregation's first 40 years.

While giving to her community, Lineweaver also has devoted much care to her family. In 1959, she lived for several months with her mother, who was ill with cancer. Her oldest daughter died following childbirth in 1990, and Lineweaver cared for the surviving infant and an older child while their father worked. All three lived in her home for several months, and she has continued providing extensive summer care for the grandsons.

In addition to her volunteer work, Lineweaver's paid employment has included teaching home economics and physical education, providing child care and working as a rental agent and interior design advisor for an apartment complex. For more than 10 years, she and her husband ran the Hideaway Bed and Breakfast at Claytor Lake. The business closed last year. ■

Class Gift

During the Class of '54 reunion on Saturday, April 17, class president Joyce DeBolt Miller and class reunion fund chairman Chester Bowman presented Bridgewater President Phillip Stone with a class gift of \$102,066. The gift, given in honor of the 50th class reunion, includes outright donations and pledges raised for the Alumni Association's Endowed Scholarship Fund.



Class of 1954 50th Reunion

Front Row: Anne Frysinger Shifflet, Joyce DeBolt Miller, Nancy Hollar Whitmore; **Second Row:** Elizabeth Mason Moyers, Betty Naff Caricofe, Mary Lipscomb Ludwick, Doris Thompson Carpenter, Louise Roller Burtner; **Third Row:** Betty Cook Costello, Elizabeth Shaver Wray, Martha Furry Reichard, Carolyn Garst Dinst, Joan Myers Mason; **Fourth Row:** Mary Alice Phillips Womble, Joann Isenberg Boyd, Janet Carter Miller; **Fifth Row:** Anne Spigle Garber, Mary Hooker Weybright, Harold R. Weybright, Priscilla Wakeman Wampler, Mary Driver Cook; **Sixth Row:** Charles H. Wright, Charles C. Custard, Harold R. Landis, J. Paul Wampler, Samuel F. Gouldthorpe Jr., Ray W. Judy, William W. Thomas, Chester L. Bowman, Larry E. Durr, Donald W. Garber, Harlan H. Eller

Back at BC

Lynise Spitzer

Massella, a 2001 Bridgewater graduate, joined the Office of College Relations as Leadership Institute coordinator. Most recently, she was community relations coordinator at Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community.

Massella's primary responsibility is to coordinate the High School Leadership Academy held on the Bridgewater campus each summer. ■



Kathy Wright, '81, Tammy Cover Balser, '83, Betsy Payne Putney, '83, and Scottie Knick Davis, '81, competed in the 2003 Homecoming Alumni Golf Tournament last fall as the event's first — and only — all-female team. The foursome shot an 81 at the tournament, which was held at Lakeview Golf Course in Harrisonburg.

Cruise the eastern and southern **Caribbean** on the Holland American ship, *Maasdam*, for 11 days with a Bridgewater group leaving **November 9, 2004**, from Norfolk, Virginia, and returning on November 20.

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Remember the publication lead time for Class Notes is three months. Notes that were received after the deadline for this issue will appear in the Fall 2004 issue. *Bridgewater Magazine* does not publish engagement announcements, and submitted photographs are included when space permits.

1951

Dee Floyd of Penn Laird, Va., has been an elected member of the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors since 2000 and served as chair during 2003.

1956

T. Rodman Layman of Pulaski, Va., is serving his second term on the board of visitors of Virginia Tech and is chair of the committees on student affairs and on by-laws. He also is a member of the Virginia Land Conservation Foundation board of trustees and president of the Rotary Club of Pulaski.

1971

Lori Bittinger Lineweaver of Bridgewater, Va., continues to teach for Harrisonburg City Schools and recently received her National Educational Technology Standards certification.

1975

Terry Slusher, president of American Patriots Financial Group, recently became the first person in Virginia to hold both the certified senior advisor and certified annuity advisor designations. A broker to insurance agents as well as individuals, he specializes in long-term care planning and post-retirement financial planning and estate planning. Slusher may be contacted by phone at 434-525-3707 or by e-mail at ampa@lynchburg.net.

1977

Pam Cramer Belch of Manassas, Va., received the Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher for Manassas City Public Schools presented by *The*

Washington Post at the Education Foundation's Annual Salute to Excellence Banquet in May. The award carries a \$3,000 cash prize and is given for exceptional teaching. A second grade teacher for the city of Manassas, Belch also has taught kindergarten and first grade over the past 25 years.

1979

Dr. Gwen Brumbaugh Keeney of Elgin, Ill., continues her nurse-midwifery faculty and clinical positions at the University of Illinois in Chicago. Her primary focus is on improving maternal-child health through research, policy and international consulting with the Pan American Health Organization and the American College of Nurse-Midwives.

1981

Nancy Taylor Sorrells was elected for a four-year term, beginning Jan. 2004, to the Augusta County board of supervisors as representative of the Riverheads District. Sorrells is co-owner of Lots Wife Publishing, and lives with her husband, Randy, in Greenville, Va.

1983

Alison Jeffrey Scott was named community outreach coordinator for Boleman Law Firm. She lives in Richmond, Va., with her husband and two sons.

1987

An article in the July issue of *The Artist's Magazine* features **Jennifer Phillips Webster** and her work as an artist. Her drawing, "Still Life Without Mom," won *The Artist's Magazine* Award for Excellence in the

2002 International Colored Pencil Exhibition. Webster is a paraprofessional for students with disabilities at Radford High School and Dalton Intermediate School. Pursuing a master's degree in special education from Radford University, she lives in Radford, Va., with her nine-year-old son.

1989

Robin Wills Arms and Wally have a fourth child, a daughter, Rachel Lynn, born July 28, 2003. The family lives in Sicily.

1990

Carissa Shiflet Alexander earned a B.S. degree in professional communications from Old Dominion University in August 2003. She is employed with Hanson Concrete in Manassas, Va., and is a certified scuba diver. In November, she participated in the Richard Petty driving school in Charlotte, N.C., where she drove a racecar for eight laps averaging 125.5 miles per hour, after taking the required instruction class.

Suzanne Schall Bowdle and Richard have a daughter, Sarah Jane, born Oct. 17. Suzanne is a stay-at-home mom with the couple's three children. The family lives in Denton, Md.

Annette Delahay Williams, coach of the Grace Christian School Girls' Volleyball Team, led her squad to a 24-0 season and was named the All City-County Coach of the Year. In addition, she was selected Blue Ridge Conference Coach of the Year and Virginia Independent School Division III State Coach of the Year. Williams works as director of career services at Bridgewater and lives in Staunton, Va.

Christal Maria Hamons Yowell and Richard have a daughter, Mary-Elizabeth Claire, born June 18, 2003. The Yowells, who also have two sons, live in Toms Brook, Va.



Parker, Jack and Libby Yowell

1991

Karen Doss Bowman and **Darin Keith Bowman**, '93, have their first child, a son, Peyton Stone, born Feb. 4. The family lives in Bridgewater, Va.



Peyton Stone Bowman

David Branshaw, who has been playing on the Nationwide Tour, earned his PGA Tour Card for the 2004 season with a fourth-place finish at the Q-School Finals in Winter Garden, Fla.

1992

In January, **Brydon Mark DeWitt** joined the law firm of

Williams Mullen as a partner, where he continues to practice employee benefits law.

Ann Marie McVey Jenkins is director of Enslow Park Presbyterian Preschool. She and her husband, David, live in Huntington, W.Va.

Andrew N. Shields and Liza Jessica Nop were married Jan. 2. Andrew is a loan officer at Southern Trust Mortgage. The couple lives in Lynchburg, Va.

Steven and Stephanie Foster Spire have a new son, Eli Richard, born Feb. 4. The family, which includes another son, lives in Bridgewater, Va.

1993

Darin Keith Bowman (see Karen Doss Bowman, '91).

Holly Wyatt Herman and Randall have a son, Wyatt Walker, born Nov. 24. The family lives in Waynesboro, Va.

Andrew Lipinski and Jennifer have a new son, Collin Roger, born June 28, 2003. The family, which includes another son, lives in Fallston, Md.



Collin Roger Lipinski

Rhonda Kaye Mitchell and Bradley M. Arehart were married Oct. 4. Rhonda is a partner in the Harrisonburg accounting firm of Elliott, Martin, Beachy and Mitchell. The couple lives in New Market, Va.

Scott A. Moomaw and **Meredith Hall Moomaw**, '99, have their first child, a daughter, Mollie Anne, born Feb. 28. The family lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Troy G. Reimer and Kristen Edair Huffman were married July 9, 2003. Troy is co-owner and vice president of Harris Office Furniture Co. Inc. The couple lives in Southwest Roanoke County.

1994

Dr. Christina Shaffer Canody and **Jeremy Canody** have a son, Andrew "Drew" Todd, born Sept. 10. The family lives in Tampa, Fla.



Andrew "Drew" Todd Canody

Tim Runion and Heather have their third daughter, Isabella Claire, born Nov. 23. The family lives in Kearneysville, W.Va.

1995

Steve Lowe and **Jennifer Parra Lowe**, '96, have a daughter, Taylor Nicole, born March 25, 2002. Jennifer is smelting services manager at Alcoa-Eastalco Works, and Steve is employed by Harris, Smariga & Associates Surveying. The Lowes, who also have a son, live in Frederick, Md.

Melvin E. Williams and Pamela Fulghum were married Oct. 25. Melvin is an associate attorney with Johnson, Ayers & Matthews P.L.C. of Roanoke, Va., where he focuses on insurance defense litigation and

workers compensation defense. The couple lives in Roanoke.

1996

Jennifer Parra Lowe (see Steve Lowe, '95).

1997

Ben Barlow of Rockville, Va., was a member of the University of Richmond School of Law's Moot Court team, which participated in the 11th annual Judge John R. Brown Admiralty Moot Court Competition held March 25-27 in New Orleans. His team, which took the Jones, Walker, Waechter, Poitevent, Carrère & Denègre Award for best respondent's brief, reached the semifinals before losing to the eventual national champion, the University of Texas. Barlow also was a member of the school's second team, which went undefeated in the regional round of the American Bar Association's National Appellate Advocacy Competition (NAAC) in early March. Barlow received the prestigious award of Second Best Oral Advocate in the New York region. The team competed in the NAAC finals in Chicago in April.

Brian T. Jackson and Rachel have a second daughter, Anna Grace, born Sept. 29, 2003. Brian works in the Quality Department at Coors Brewing Co. The family lives in Grottoes, Va.

1998

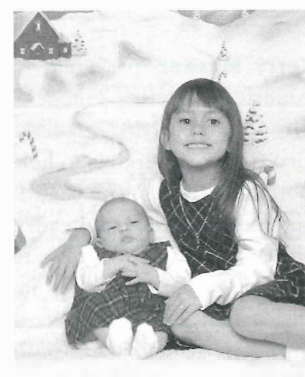
Dr. Jason Gillespie of Blacksburg, Va., earned a Ph.D. degree in mathematics from Virginia Tech in December. His dissertation was "A Combinatorial Proof of the Positivity of the Lusztig q-Analogue of Weight Multiplicity for Rank 2 Lie Algebras."

Bruce and Stacey Perdue Layton, '00, have a new son, Stephen Alan, born Jan. 30. The family lives in Denton, Md.

Brandy Franklin Mehaffey of Remington, Va., received her licensure for professional counseling (LPC). She is a mental health therapist for Prince William County Community Services Board.

Karen Monger Reeder earned a master's degree in reading education from James Madison University in May 2003. Karen is a reading specialist with Isle of Wight County Schools. She and her husband, Tom, live in Suffolk, Va.

Clark Andrew Ritchie and **Amanda Lee Calhoun**, '99, were married Dec. 20. Clark is pursuing a law degree from West Virginia University College of Law, and Amanda earned a master of arts degree in English from James Madison University. The couple lives in Morgantown, W.Va.



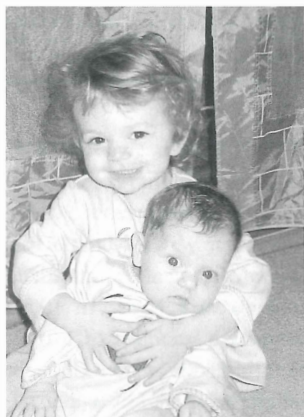
English and Anna Grace Jackson

1999

Eric Beaver of Chesapeake, Va., has chosen a career in military intelligence and has served in Afghanistan. He is currently stationed in Iraq, and would enjoy hearing from his BC classmates via e-mail at dunctch@juno.com.

Amanda Lee Calhoun (see Clark Andrew Ritchie, '98).

Whitney West Cofer and Chris have a second daughter, Macy Louise, born Nov. 15. The family lives in Bridgewater, Va.



Madison and
Macy Louise Cofer

Christina Joy Driver and Dennis N. Catt were married May 31, 2003. Christina is the after-school coordinator at Kid's Harbor in Harrisonburg, Va., where the couple lives.

Sarah A. Lusker and **Dan L. Reynolds** were married April 3. Sarah is director of catalog and web development at Fahrney's Pens, and Dan is a teacher and certified athletic trainer for West Potomac High School in Alexandria, Va.

Heather Jones Merica and Michael have a daughter, Hannah Brielle, born July 31, 2003. The family lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Meredith Hall Moomaw (see Scott A. Moomaw, '93).

Stephanie Foltz Slater and Anthony have their first child, a son, Christian Lewis, born Sept. 19. Stephanie teaches mathematics at Broadway High School. The family lives in Broadway, Va.

Matthew and **Chastity Shaffer Whitaker** have their first child, a son, Caleb Matthew, born Jan. 28. The Whitakers live in Powell, Ohio.

2000

Jennifer L. Huffman Baker and Randy have a daughter, Hallie Elizabeth, born Aug. 31, 2002. Jennifer is a special education teacher in the Rockingham County public schools. The family lives in Weyers Cave, Va.



Hallie Elizabeth Baker

Sheryl C. Frye and Louis E. Dean were married Oct. 18, by **W. Steve Watson**, associate professor of philosophy and religion at BC. Sheryl is an information assurance specialist for Axiom Resource Management in Falls Church, Va. The couple lives in Herndon, Va.

Robert Gasser and **Erin Bueng**, '02, were married May 25, 2002. The couple lives in Salt Lake City.

Keri Danton Johnston and her husband, Adam, have been transferred to Kaneohe Bay Marine Corps Air Station in Kaneohe, Hawaii, for a three-year tour of duty. Keri is teaching special education at a preschool on the island of Oahu. She writes, "We are thrilled to be living in paradise" and "visitors are always welcome!"



Caleb Matthew Whitaker

Shannon Kite and Bobbie Jo Dean were married Oct. 4. Shannon earned a juris doctor degree from Widener University School of Law and is an attorney with Aaron L. Cook P.C., in Harrisonburg, Va. The couple lives in Penn Laird, Va.

Stacey Perdue Layton (see Bruce Layton, '98).

Lauren Smith and Ken Herz were married July 19, 2003. Lauren is a medical technologist in the laboratory at Augusta Medical Center in Fishersville, Va. The couple lives in Staunton, Va.

Christopher Zepp is associate pastor for youth and young adults at Mountville (Pa.) Church of the Brethren. Previously, he served as youth pastor at Lancaster Church of the Brethren.

2001

Amy M. Barlow and **Ian T. Shenk**, '02, were married Oct. 18. Both Amy and Ian are mathematics teachers in Hanover County schools. The couple lives in Mechanicsville, Va.

Melissa Darlene Lam and Gareth W. Smith II were married Dec. 19. Melissa is a pre-kindergarten teacher at Riverheads Elementary School in Fishersville, Va. The couple lives in Staunton, Va.

Colleen A. Reid and Neal W. Persiani were married Jan. 17. Colleen is a clinician at Lindamood-Bell Learning Processes in New York City. The couple lives in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jason Threewitts and **Pamela Scyphers Threewitts**, '02, have their first child, a daughter, Kaelin Faith, born Oct. 4. Jason is a central office engineer for Designed Telecommunications, and Pamela is a certified public account with Brown, Edwards & Co. The family lives in Troutville, Va.

Barbara Lynn Wallace and Steven Eli Ridgeway were married Nov. 15. Barbara is public service director for Quorum Radio Partners. The couple lives in Lewisburg, W.Va.

Carrie A. Zambanini and Jason O. Taylor were married July 19, 2003. Carrie is a special education teacher for Loudoun County Public Schools. The couple lives in Winchester, Va.

2002

Erin Bueng (see Robert Gasser, '00).

C. Austin Ervin III and Sara Elizabeth Franklin were married Aug. 23. Austin is employed by Diebold. The couple lives in Lynchburg, Va.

Jordan L. Hill and Kimberly Joy Adams were married May 24, 2003. Jordan is a medical student at the Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Blacksburg, Va. The couple lives in Christiansburg, Va.

Jennifer Dawn Moorman and **Alexander James Wead** were married June 21, 2003. Jennifer is a medical technologist at Rockingham Memorial Hospital,

and Alex is a teacher for Sylvan Learning Center. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Kirk Monroe of Midlothian, Va., is in graduate school at Virginia Commonwealth University, where he is working toward a teaching certificate in mental retardation. He is a special education teacher assistant in Chesterfield County working with second- and third-grade MIMD students.

Ian T. Shenk (see Amy Barlow, '01).

Jamie Jolynne Shultz and John W. McDorman were married Aug. 16. Jamie is a teacher assistant at Pleasant Valley Elementary School in Harrisonburg, Va. The couple lives in Mt. Crawford, Va.

Pamela Scyphers Threewitts (see Jason Threewitts, '01).

2003

Josh Clark and his band, Seventh Seal, have released their first self-titled album, which is for sale on the band's Web site at www.seventhseal.com. The band spent a month at Lakeside Studios in Knoxville, Tenn., recording the album. For more information, visit the band's Web site.

Sherry C. Colaw and Andrew S. Thompson were married Sept. 20. Sherry is a rehab attendant with Rockingham Memorial Hospital in Harrisonburg, Va. The couple lives in Fort Defiance, Va.

Kristen S. Hurst and Michael R. Gregory were married Sept. 6. Kristen is employed with the human resources department at James Madison University. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Danielle King and **William "Jeff" Rimmer**, '04, have their

first child, a daughter, Taylor Enriqueta, born Oct. 30. The family lives in Harrisonburg, Va.



Taylor Enriqueta Rimmer

Whitney J. Shiflet and Chad D. Stover were married June 14, 2003. Whitney works for Conmat Group in Harrisonburg, Va. The couple lives in Dayton, Va.

2004

William "Jeff" Rimmer (see Danielle King, '03).

2007

Audrey J. Fuller and Ricky L. Horn were married Dec. 20. Audrey is majoring in family and consumer sciences at BC. The couple lives in Mt. Solon, Va. ■

memorials...

Lloyd M. Clingenpeel, '27, of Boones Mill, Va., died Jan. 2, 2002, at the age of 94.

Thelma Pyle, '27, of Timonium, Md., died Dec. 4, at the age of 96.

Edna L. "Peg" Miller Miller, '28, of Bridgewater, Va., died Dec. 31, at the age of 98. She earned a master's degree in guidance counseling from Madison College and was a teacher and guidance counselor at Turner Ashby High School for 15 years, before retiring in 1970. A member of the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren, she taught Sunday School and served on the board of administration. Among her survivors is a son, **John L. Miller**, '51, of Bridgewater, and a daughter, **Janice K. Miller**, '55, of Magnolia, Del.

Gladys S. Huff Bailey, '32, of Bridgewater, Va., died Feb. 19, at the age of 94. She attended BC before earning an accounting degree at Dunsmore Business College. For many years, she was a bookkeeper at Augusta Cooperative Farm Bureau. She was a member of Lebanon Church of the Brethren.

James O. Smith, '32, of Huntingdon, Pa., died Jan. 19.

Hylda Peters Wood, '32, of Roanoke, Va., died April 20, 2000.

Katherine May McClanahan, '34, of Toms Brook, Va., died Jan. 20, at the age of 92. She was a retired teacher with the Frederick County Public School System. She was a member of Strasburg Christian Church and the Christian Women's Fellowship. Among her survivors is a brother, **Dr. Everett May**, '35, of Richmond, Va.

Pauline Judy, '37, of Moyers, W.Va., died March 22, at the age of 90. After attending BC, she graduated from Shepherd College and taught in the public schools. She was a member of the St. Paul Independent Lutheran Church, where she served as pianist and taught adult Sunday school for many years.

Arland Wilson "A.W." Wise, '37, of Fort Defiance, Va., died Feb. 23, at the age of 90. He worked at Wayne Manufacturing for 18 years and retired from Westinghouse in 1978. He was a member of Mount Horeb Presbyterian Church, where he served as a deacon, elder of the session and on various committees. He enjoyed training and showing gaited horses. He is survived by his wife, Audrey. Also among his survivors is a son, **Dr. John T. Wise**, '60, of Staunton, Va.

Marjorie Neff Garber, '45, of Virginia Beach, Va., died Nov. 11, at the age of 79.

Zola Wampler Farley Byers, '48, of Myrtle Beach, S.C., died Jan. 18, one day before her 78th birthday. She was a member of the Montezuma Church of the Brethren and a life member of the Virginia Garden Club. She was a 4-H All-Star and a former member of Sherwood Garden Club. She is survived by her husband, Charles. Also among her survivors is a sister, **Margaret Wiseman**, '42, and two brothers, **Charles W. Wampler Jr.**, '37, and **William D. Wampler**, '50, all of Harrisonburg, Va.

Sidney L. Driver Jr., '52, of Broadway, Va., died April 7, at the age of 76. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was stationed in the Aleu-

tian Islands. He taught science in the King George County School system before retiring to the family farm in Timberville, Va. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Broadway. Among his survivors is a sister, **Audrey L. Driver, '49**, of Falls Church, Va., and a brother, **Donald D. Driver Sr., '49**, of Clifton, Forge, Va.

Joseph Aubrey "Gus" Potter Jr., '52, of Staunton, Va., died Jan. 24, at the age of 78. A World War II veteran, he was a volunteer with the Augusta Medical Center. He was a member of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, where he taught Sunday school. He is survived by his wife, Betty.

George Vaughn Clark, '53, of Woodstock, Va., and formerly of Fairfax, Va., died Nov. 19, at the age of 74. He served as an airplane and jet mechanic in the U.S. Army Air Force from 1946-49. He was an agent for State Farm Insurance for 40 years before retiring in 2001 and moving to Woodstock. As an agent, he earned advanced CPU and CPCU underwriter designations. He was a member of Oakton Church of the Brethren. He is survived by his wife, the former **Marion "Lucy" Wright**, also '53.

Lloyd L. Blackwell, '57, of Chesterfield County (Va.), died Dec. 1, at the age of 76. He served in the U. S. Marine Corps, taught school in Augusta County and in 1995, retired from DuPont after 28 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Glenda.

Dr. Melvin G. Leisure Jr., '58, of Boones Mill, Va., died March 28, at the age of 68. He graduated from the Medical College of Virginia School of Dentistry

and practiced dentistry in Boones Mill for 40 years. He was a member of the Roanoke Valley Dental Society, the Virginia Dental Association and the American Dental Association. He also was a member of Antioch Church of the Brethren. He is survived by his wife, Betty.

Donna Furman Bess, '59, of Bridgewater, Va., died April 10, at the age of 81. She taught first and second grades in the Rockingham County Schools from 1964 to 1986. A member of Bridgewater Baptist Church, she taught Sunday school and served as pianist and deacon. She is survived by her husband, **Clement A. Bess**, also '59. Also among her survivors is a sister, **Barbara Furman Groff, '57**, of Finksburg, Md.

Kenneth Hirsch Freeman, '60, of Harrisonburg, Va., died Jan. 24, at the age of 60. He worked for Denton's Furniture for 24 years, The Floor Shop for nine years, and most recently, was employed at Advance Auto Parts before retiring in 1999. He was a life member of Fire Co. No. 1 and the Harrisonburg Rescue Squad, holding all offices in both organizations. He is survived by his wife, Gwendolyn.

Lawrence A. Mann, '68, of Richmond, Va., died Feb. 14, 2003, at the age of 56.

James J. Burns, '74, of Richmond, Va., died Dec. 8, at the age of 51. He earned a law degree from The College of William and Mary School of Law. He practiced with the law firm of Williams, Mullen, Christian and Dobbins for 20 years, and most recently, had opened his own practice. He volunteered with the Crisis Pregnancy Center, The Virginia Home and

KingsWay Community Church. He is survived by his wife, Kate. Also among his survivors is a sister, **Mary Burns Ebrahimipour, '76**, of Baltimore.

Rhoene Zimmerman Johnson, '74, of Hampton, Va., died March 7, at the age of 76. She taught at Francis Asbury Elementary School for 30 years before retiring in 1986. In 1973, she received the Valley Forge Teachers Medal. She was a member of Emmanuel Church of the Brethren in Mt. Solon, Va., and attended Wallace Memorial United Methodist Church. Among her survivors is

a brother, **Joe Zimmerman, '61**, of Mt. Solon.

Kevin S. Deadrick, '77, of Staunton, Va. and formerly of Harrisonburg, Va., died April 1, at the age of 48. After attending BC, he graduated from The College of William and Mary. He was employed by an executive job placement company, and he was a member of Harrisonburg Baptist Church.

Victor E. Glick, former history professor at Bridgewater College, died Nov. 19, at the age of 86.

A 1940 graduate of Bridgewater College, Glick received a master of arts degree from the University of Chicago in 1949. He also attended Virginia Tech and Vanderbilt University.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1942 to 1945, and taught history at BC from 1949 until 1977. He also was a dairy farmer from 1957 until 1977.

In retirement, Glick enjoyed studying scripture and reading and writing poetry.

Among his survivors are two daughters, **Shelley Glick Lingamfelter, '73**, of Dale City, Va., and **Dr. Mindy Glick Garber, '81**, of Weyers Cave, Va.; four brothers, **Dr. John T. Glick Jr., '43**, of Broadway, Va., **Dr. G. Wayne Glick, '41**, of Lancaster, Pa., **Dr. Joseph L. Glick, '48**, of Harrisonburg, Va., and **Stanley Glick, '54**, of Bridgewater, Va.; three sisters, **Dr. Elizabeth Glick-Rieman, '44**, of Richmond, Calif., **Margaret Glick Hunkins, '46**, of Talent, Ore., and **Ruth Glick Welliver, '51**, of Lewisburg, Pa.; and three grandchildren, **Aaron Garber, '95**, of Salem, Va., **Victoria Garber Heatwole, '95**, of Weyers Cave, Va., and **Evan Garber, '00**, of Tipp City, Ohio.



THE FOLLOWING IS "THE ORACLES" SCRIPT:

First Oracle: The oak has long life.

Second Oracle: The oak has great strength.

Third Oracle: The oak is beautiful.

Fourth Oracle: The oak is useful.

The Historian: This particular oak has all the outstanding qualities of oaks in general — long life, strength, beauty and usefulness. It was a large tree when our college was born. It has firmly withstood wind and drought and cold. It enhances the landscape and gladdens our hearts. It shelters us and inspires us.

The Poet:

It knows no fear of the thunders loud,
Nor of ghostly midnight forms;
It smiles in the sun, it waits 'neath the cloud,
It sings in the winter storms.
With green it tells of the summer nigh,
With gold the autumn cheers;
With roots thrust deep, with top spread high,
'Tis pledge of a thousand years.

The Prophet: Each year this oak builds a living circle around its own heart. Each year our Alma Mater, in us, builds a living circle around her heart. For her and for the oak we prophesy — for both we bespeak all the years and all the glory of the Poet's vision.

First Oracle: Joining hands around the oak, sheltered by its widespread branches, inspired by its outstanding qualities, we pledge to Alma Mater, so far as we have power to enlarge her gifts — her life, her strength, her beauty, her usefulness.

The class concludes the service by singing "Bridgewater Fair."

Ode to the Oak

By Karen Doss Bowman, '91

Each spring, the Alumni Association is eager to welcome the newest class of graduates into its membership. In recent years, graduating seniors have been invited to an evening of dinner and dancing at the Great Tent Event and the BC Ball. During the 1950s and 1960s, new graduates were guests of honor at the association's annual banquet on Alumni Day, held near the time of Commencement.

A small number of alumni may remember one of the more colorful traditions of initiation into the Alumni Association: The Oracles at the Oak. The short-lived ceremony, following the June commencement exercises of 1934, 1935 and 1936, took place beneath an enormous oak tree that stood near Rebecca Hall, a campus landmark affectionately nicknamed "The Old Sentinel."

Dr. John W. Wayland, an 1899 Bridgewater graduate, wrote the program for the ceremony, which praises the qualities of the old oak tree. The class officers each read parts from the litany, which includes a pledge to live by these qualities and speak of devotion to Alma Mater. At the end of the service, Professor Nelson Huffman led class members in singing "Bridgewater Fair."

The untimely demise of the oak tree, when struck by lightning on June 3, 1936, ended the induction ceremony. ■



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